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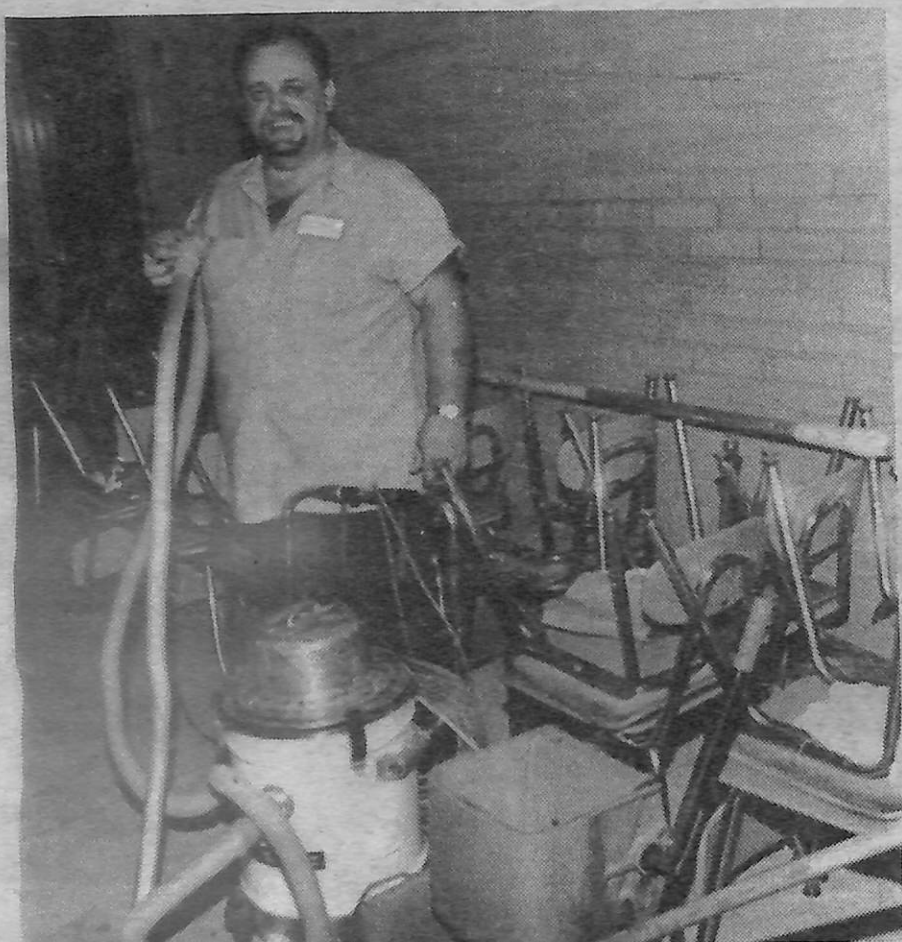
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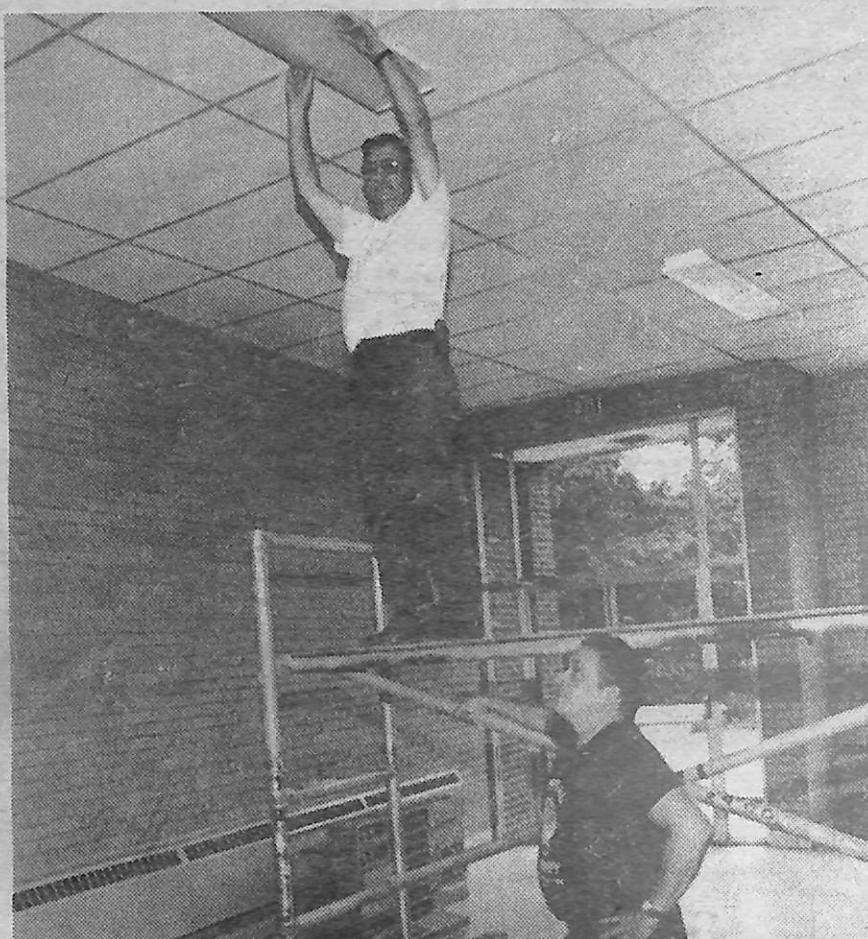
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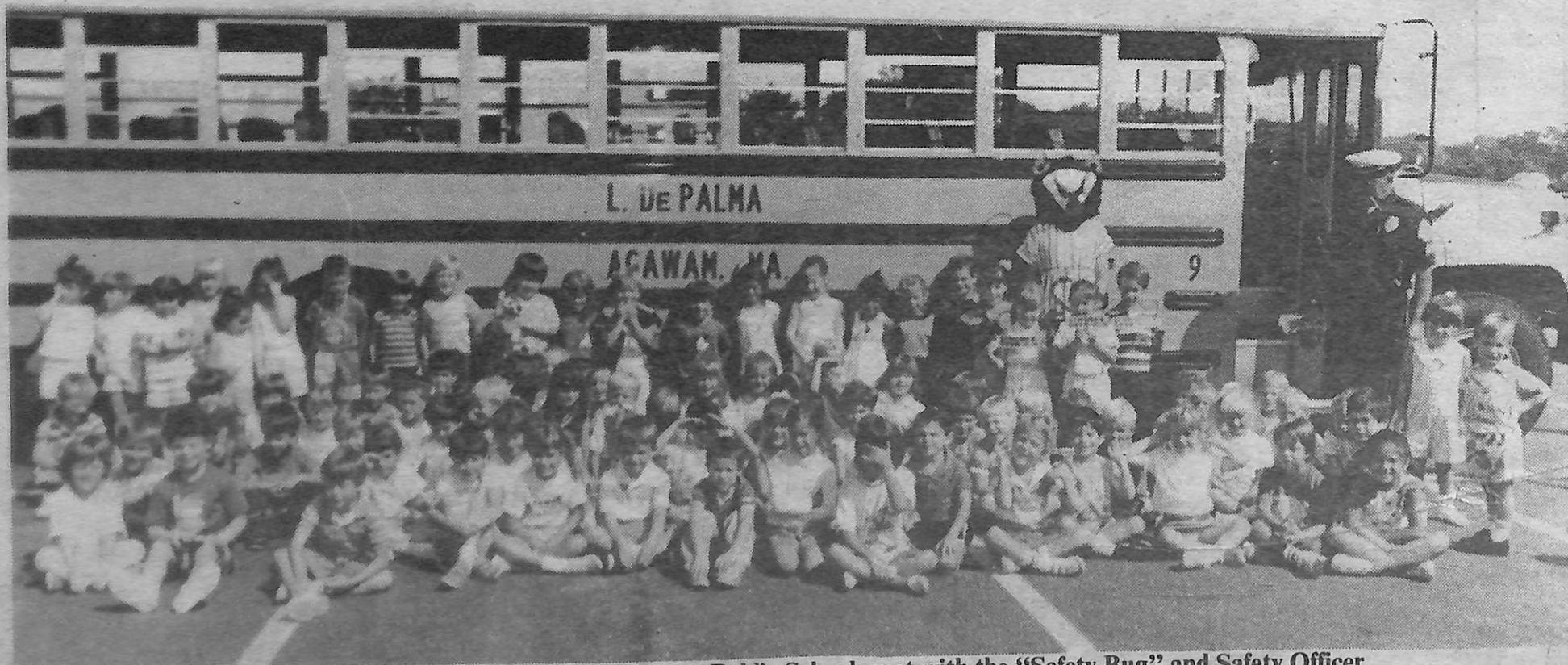
It's Back To School



BOB PALLOCK is about to clean and polish floors at the Agawam Middle School as preparations continue for opening of public schools last year. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.



CUSTODIANS Norm Fontaine and Art Dupre work on light fixtures at the Agawam Middle School in preparation for opening of public schools next Wednesday. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.



FIRST-TIME BUS RIDERS in the Agawam Public Schools met with the "Safety Bug" and Safety Officer Al Longhi (back) last Friday. SEE RELATED PICTURE, STORY in Education Section. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

Charles Gets Poor Evaluation From Council

by Christine Piesyk Advertiser News Staff

Town Councilors Monday night held a special session to evaluate the job performance of embattled Town Manager Reid S. Charles, who was overwhelmingly handed a poor evaluation before about 165 residents at a packed Agawam Public Library.

The *Advertiser News* learned that at presstime, another special meeting may be called for Thursday, September 1st.

Prior to Monday night's meeting, five councilors, Jessie D. Fuller, John Negrucci, David Skolnick, Edward G. Borgatti, and Town Council President Donald M. Rheault, appeared at Charles' office last Thursday morning, asking him to resign.

Established Criteria

Monday night's session established the criteria for evaluating Charles' performance, a 10-item list ranging from management of town finances to attitude, professionalism, and conduct. Councilors were asked to rate Charles' performance as excellent, acceptable, or not acceptable, and to elaborate on the reasoning behind each rating.

The criteria for the evaluation was established on the recommendation of Councilor Christopher Johnson, who said Charles' contract specifically cited using this method.

The push to complete a much discussed job evaluation follows a recent council vote against granting Charles a retroactive pay raise. It was also fueled by recent financial disclosures about Charles, including the cashing of four of Charles' personal checks which were later returned for insufficient funds to the Town Treasurer's Office.

All checks have since been made good by Charles and the Treasurer's Office has issued a new policy that no longer allows the cashing of personal checks, effective September 1st.

The 10 areas Charles was judged on included finances, personnel (including employee contracts), budget format, planning and organization of town

business, interaction with Town Council, interaction with department heads, appointments, level of services to the town, land use planning, and the three-part category of attitude, professionalism, and conduct.

Though Councilor Councilor Benjamin Lockhart rated Charles financial management for the town as excellent, finances were one of the biggest factors of negativism aimed toward Charles' job performance.

Lockhart said Charles should continue to be town manager, noting several times that he was "not that bad."

Councilor Paul Fieldstad hit Charles on town finance. "The tax billing process was a mess. The bills were five months late. No one could understand them (the bills). People were calling me for explanations. And I understand he (Charles) had to cash in a CD (certificate of deposit) to meet the town payroll. That is unacceptable."

Were State Laws Violated

Councilor John Negrucci questioned whether or not state laws were complied with in the mailing of tax bills, and the answer he sought received an "I can't tell you that right now," from Charles. Charles' answer got an unacceptable grade from Negrucci.

Rheault addressed several issues, and did not hesitate to voice a basic satisfaction with Charles' first 18 months as town manager. But in addressing the issues of attitude and professionalism, and well as his administering the town over the past year, Rheault compared his view of the town manager's attitude as a "light switch being turned off."

Rheault said, "Communication went downhill. His attitude went downhill." Rheault, as later did Negrucci, cited a total lack of concern on Charles' part regarding such issues as the Bondi's Island incinerator and Charles' refusal to appoint independent counsel to assist the Board of Health in dealing with the incinerator.

"But what really concerns me," added Rheault, "are checks cashed in Town Hall that can't be covered by

the town manager, not once, but four times. Also, real estate bills are a fiasco. It is unacceptable."

Rheault also seriously questioned the process of replacing Town Assessor Timothy Kelleher, who's resignation is effective September 1st.

Rheault reviewed an advertising process and qualifications used to hire Kelleher, and compared them to the most recent assessor's job search.

"In March 1986 we ran ads in *The Boston Globe*, *The Beacon*, *The Hartford Courant*, and *The Springfield Newspapers* looking for an experienced property appraiser and assessor with a bachelor's degree in business administration, certified (or en route to being a certified assessor), who could administer and develop a departmental budget."

Rheault applauded Charles for placing this advertisement over 2½ years ago.

He continued, "Now we have the same position open and what do we get? A one-time ad in *The Springfield Newspapers* help-wanted section seeking a 'town assessor for a supervisory position' and no specific qualifications. That is totally unprofessional. That is totally unacceptable."

Johnson dealt with each category to rate Charles' performance. He rated Charles' performance in finances, budget, and relationship with town employees and department heads as acceptable, but said Charles' professionalism and relationship with the council was unacceptable.

During the entire proceeding, Charles and his attorney, Frank Antonucci of Huntington, remained seated and silent. A stenographer retained by Charles recorded the entire meeting, in addition to the regular taping of council sessions by the council clerk.

A majority of the 11-member council will be needed to remove the 47 year-old Charles from his \$52,000 a year post.

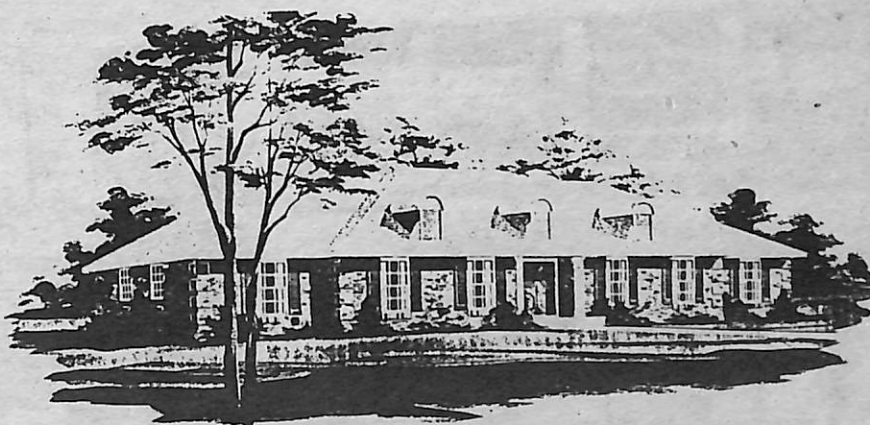
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The Excitement Of Foreign Currency Bonds

by Catherine M. Sypek
Financial Consultant
Shearson Lehman Hutton, Inc.
1500 Main Street, Springfield

For investors who are looking to obtain high yield, and who are not adverse to some risk, foreign currency bonds offer an exciting investment opportunity.

Foreign currency bonds are interest-bearing corporate or government securities which are denominated in a foreign currency. Some are issued in the U.S. by well-known domestic corporations, such as General Electric Co. and Kodak. Examples of these include corporate bonds available in New Zealand and Australian dollars. Bonds also are issued in other countries, such as treasury bonds available in Canadian dollars issued by the Government of Canada.

In each case, the bonds are denominated in a foreign currency, and reflect the interest rates available in the respective country.

The latter point holds the key to the primary attraction of these bonds. Because they trade according to the interest rate environment of a foreign country, the bonds can offer exceptionally high yield versus yields on similar short-term U.S. dollar denominated issues.

For example, Canadian, Australian and New Zealand foreign currency bonds presently offer the following yields: 9.25 percent to 10.25 percent (Canadian dollars); 11 percent to 13 percent (Australian dollars); and 11 percent to 14 percent (New Zealand dollars).

Of course, such high returns are not entirely risk-free. Since the bonds are denominated in a foreign currency, the investor is exposed to currency risk with every coupon payment, upon sale or at maturity.

If the foreign currency appreciates versus the U.S. dollar (i.e. the exchange rate rises), the total return will be higher than the initial stated yield. The currency may stay the same, in which case the investor receives the return quoted at the time of purchase. If the foreign currency depreciates, the return will be lower than the initial stated yield.

Investors do have a downside "cushion." The higher yield on domestic foreign currency bonds relative to

U.S. bonds, provides a buffer against deterioration in the value of the foreign currency.

Another reason for investing in foreign currency bonds is diversification. A portfolio including these bonds should be less volatile than a portfolio invested solely in U.S. fixed income securities. The fundamental reason for this is that foreign bond markets do not move with or not perfectly correlated with the U.S. bond market. Different business cycles, inflationary trends and political forces ensure differing rate environments.

The minimum investment for a foreign currency bond varies. For example, the minimum investment for Government of Canada bonds is \$10,000, and the bonds are sold in increments of \$10,000; the minimum for Australian bonds is \$10,000, but some of these are sold in increments of \$5,000.

Maturities also vary. Government of Canada bonds range from two to 16 years, while Australian bonds range from six months to three years.

The mechanics of managing your investment will depend on the specific issue, and the brokerage firm handling your account.

For example, Shearson Lehman Hutton handles all foreign exchange transactions involving the purchase or sale of foreign currency bonds at the time of the transaction. All coupon payments and principal at maturity will automatically be converted and credited to the investor's account in U.S. dollars.

Additionally, the investor's confirmation statement will show the amount due on the transaction in U.S. dollars, as well as the foreign currency exchange rate. All transactions on the monthly statements, namely, coupon payments, will appear in U.S. dollars as well.

Aggressive investors looking for higher yielding investments and/or diversification of their portfolio into foreign currency assets, should consider foreign currency bonds as an attractive alternative investment opportunity.

Charles Controversy Proves System Working Says Skolnick

by Christine Piesyk
Advertiser News Staff

The controversy surrounding embattled Agawam Town Manager Reid S. Charles and the Town Council's response to it is an argument in favor of retaining the present form of government, said Town Councilor David Skolnick following Monday night's special council meeting at the Agawam Public Library.

Councilors gave Charles a poor job evaluation at the special meeting.

Skolnick, a long-time proponent of retaining the council/manager form of government, was one of five councilors who appeared at Charles' office last Thursday asking for his resignation from the \$52,000 per year post.

Skolnick feels the current controversy surrounding Charles, including Charles cashing personal checks at Town Hall and other questionable administrative practices, as a detriment to the community at-large.

This controversy is not good for him (Charles), his family, or especially the community," Skolnick said.

"This unfortunate situation, however, proves that the managerial system can work. Within our town charter we can dismiss a manager with a council vote. With a mayor you could have him until the next election."

Skolnick added, "If we were dealing with a mayor tonight, we couldn't do this," said Skolnick. "The council has the power to hire and to fire (the town manager). If we had a mayor, we would have to have a recall vote or an impeachment process. This would take a lot more time. The council can hire or fire (a town manager) within a week," said Skolnick.

Skolnick said townspeople have twice voted down the mayoral system, and said "this situation proved that they are right," added Skolnick, again referring to the council's authority to either hire or fire the manager.

Vicon Recovery Systems, Inc. No Longer At Incinerator

Springfield Resource Recovery, a unit of Fluor Corporation, confirmed today that as of Tuesday, August 16th, the services of Vicon Recovery Systems Inc. were terminated at the Bondi Island Resource Recovery facility.

Fluor terminated Vicon's responsibilities as operator of the plant due to continued inadequate staff levels and concern regarding Vicon's impaired financial resources.

During initial startup of the plant, Vicon staff were supervised closely and the facility always operated within its permitted guidelines.

Fluor will assume future operation and maintenance requirements of the Springfield facility.

Fluor Daniel is the engineering, construction, and technical services unit of the Fluor Corporation, an international engineering and construction company with investments in coal and lead.

LEGAL NOTICE

TOWN OF AGAWAM BOARD OF APPEALS

Notice is hereby given that the Board of Appeals will give a hearing at Agawam Public Library, 750 Cooper Street, Agawam, on Wednesday, September 14, 1988 at 8:00 P.M. o'clock, to all parties interested in the appeal of RESOURCE CONTROL, INC. who is seeking relief from Section 20, Paragraph 52 of the Zoning Ordinances to allow for the construction of an elevated conveyor, elevator bulkhead and storage tanks in excess of forty feet, on the premises identified as ROUTE 5 (BONDI'S ISLAND) adjacent to the Wastewater Treatment Plant.

By order of the Board of Appeals,
Ronald LaRiviere
Chairman

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Notice is hereby given that the Board of Appeals will give a hearing at Administration Annex Building, Agawam, on Wednesday, September 21, 1988 at 7:30 P.M. o'clock, to all parties interested in the appeal of MR. STANLEY ZUCKER who is seeking relief from Section 20-53 (b) of the Zoning Ordinances to allow for the construction of an addition to an existing building with less than the required rear yard and side yard dimensions on the premises identified as 53 RAMAH CIRCLE SOUTH.

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Ronald LaRiviere, Chairman

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Town Inks Pact With Cable TV

Continental Cablevision officials and the Town of Agawam signed a cable television license renewal contract that will enable Agawam residents to eventually receive twice as many cable channels as are presently available on the Agawam cable system.

The new license is for 10 years and begins in 1990, with certain provisions related to the rebuilding of the cable system taking effect immediately.

Continental Cablevision and the town have been negotiating the terms of the renewal license in recent months. A citizens advisory committee of Agawam residents was formed in 1987 to review the company's performance and renewal proposal. The committee recommended to the town to renew Continental's operating license. The license signing took place in Town Hall last Monday afternoon.

Officials from Continental Cablevision, Town Manager Reid S. Charles, Louis Draghetti, Agawam's cable liaison officer, and members of the Agawam Citizens Cable Advisory Committee, were present.

The new license calls for the company to completely rebuild the Agawam cable system, doubling its current 30 channel capacity.

Other features of the new license and system include: an Institutional Network that will interconnect the Town Hall, Police Station, Emergency Operations Center, fire stations, and schools; free basic cable service to certain municipal buildings and recreation rooms of municipal Housing for the Elderly complexes; an emergency override system to be used by town officials to communicate with residents in time of emergency; a fully addressable system, whereby premium service subscribers will be able to upgrade or

downgrade their level of service over the phone; pay-per-view technology, enabling residents to order special events on a per-event basis, such as movies and sporting events.

The new Agawam channel line-up will include such new services as: C-SPAN, C-SPAN II, The Discovery Channel, The Disney Network, New England Sports Network, The Nashville Network, The Movie Channel, TNT (Turner Network Television, a new service from Ted Turner), The Weather Channel, Cable Value Network, VH-1: Video Hits One, Eternal World Television Network, and others.

The new cable system will also utilize fiber optics to bring the television signals from the main reception facility in Westfield, to a centrally located distribution point in Agawam. Fiber optics greatly enhanced the quality of the picture the customer sees in their home.

Continental Cablevision General Manager J. Martin Schuler said "This is a very exciting day for Continental and for all our Agawam cable subscribers. Not only will our Agawam customers have twice as many channels available to them following the rebuild, our use of fiber optics in the transmission path will enable them to receive remarkably clear pictures. Their system will be as sophisticated as others in the area, and more sophisticated in many respects.

Continental Cablevision operates cable systems in 26 other communities in Western Massachusetts and Northern Connecticut, and 450 nationwide. They recently had their cable licenses renewed in Holyoke, Westfield, and Northampton.

Continental Cablevision is the largest cable television system operator in Massachusetts and New England, and the third largest in the nation, with over 2 million subscribers across the country.

FIRE-WISE

by Fire Chief Rusty Jenks

After-School Kids Do Need Support

Millions of children of all ages go home from school every day to an empty house. Using a key worn around their necks or pinned inside a jacket, they let themselves into their homes and remain alone until their parents come home from work. Most families set rules and guidelines to help these children help themselves. But they are on their own.

Emergencies strike quickly, and children should not depend on having the time to ask parents for advice. So all children should learn basic fire safety rules:

Matches and cigarette lighters are not for use by children and should be left alone;

Cooking should be done only by older children, only if approved by the parent, and never without extreme caution; nothing should be left cooking unattended on a stove even for a minute;

Microwave ovens can cause severe burns and scalds because children expect them to be safe. Don't forget the cooked foods or liquids are **extremely** hot and can spill or boil over easily;

If burned by something hot, run plenty of cool water — never butter or other greasy substance — over the burn; call your doctor or an ambulance;

If clothing catches fire, do not run! Stop immediately, fall to the floor and roll back and forth to smother the flames;

If a fire starts, do not hide from it or try to fight it! Leave the house immediately. Go to a neighbor's house to report the fire to the fire department.

Although there have been latchkey children since the 1880's, World War II brought more of them to light as fathers were shipped overseas and mothers entered the workforce in unprecedented numbers.

Today, more than half of all schoolchildren have working mothers — between 2 million and 6.5 million children between the ages of six and 17 care for themselves after school.

The number cannot be pinpointed because such children are hard to identify. Parents often do not tell others that their children are at home alone, both to protect the children and because they may be embarrassed and feel guilty. Children also are warned not to tell anyone they are at home alone.

If you would like to help in teaching your child about fire safety, contact your child's school as well as the Agawam Fire Department.

OUR OFFICE WILL BE CLOSED for the Labor Day Weekend holiday from Thursday, September 1st to Tuesday morning at 6:30 a.m., September 6th. You may slip your items under our door for next week all day on Friday and Saturday as the building will be open.

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Not Too Early To Start Preparing For Cold

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According to Joe Tennihan, manager of Bay State Gas' Con-Serve division, adding insulation to your attic is the most cost-effective conservation improvement you can make to a home. "Since heat rises, adding attic insulation traps heat and helps keep your home warmer in the winter," Tennihan added. "Just as importantly, a well insulated home stays cooler in the summer, too."

In this region, insulation with a heat value of R-33 is best for insulating attic floors, while R-19 should be used to insulate walls — the second most common source of heat loss in a home. The "R" represents the insulation's ability to resist heat passing through it. The higher the "R" value, the greater the insulating ability.

Other conservation tips to consider now are the installation of storm windows or prime replacement windows and storm doors; having your furnace "tuned-up" to ensure efficient operation; checking the ductwork on a forced air heating system and sealing leaks at connection points with duct tape or caulking; and cleaning or replacing your furnace filter.

LEGAL NOTICE

TOWN OF AGAWAM
AGAWAM CONSERVATION COMMISSION

The Agawam Conservation Commission will meet on Thursday, September 8th, 1988, at 7:15 p.m., in the Town Clerk's Conference Room, Agawam Town Hall, 36 Main Street, Agawam, Ma. This hearing, pursuant to the provisions of General Laws Chapter 131, Section 40, is called to act upon the petition of Vincent Connors to perform work subject to the ACT on Adams Street, Agawam, MA.

Henry Kozloski, Chairman

AGAWAM CONSERVATION COMMISSION

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The Agawam Conservation Commission will meet on Thursday, September 8, 1988, at 7:45 p.m., in the Town Clerk's Conference Room, Agawam Town Hall, 36 Main Street, Agawam, Ma. This hearing, pursuant to the provisions of General Laws Chapter 131, Section 40, is called to act upon the petition of Thomas Russo, Jr. to perform work subject to the ACT on southerly sideline of Corey Street to northerly sideline of School Street, Agawam, MA.

Henry Kozloski, Chairman

AGAWAM CONSERVATION COMMISSION

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From Rep. Stephen Pierce (R-Westfield), Republican Leader Playing With The State's Lottery Money

The recent and continuing argument on Beacon Hill over who should get some \$91 million in lottery revenues should stand as a telling lesson about the basic politics of the man in the corner office, the Governor of the Commonwealth Michael Dukakis. The lesson is a simple one. Once you're a tax and spend politician, you remain a tax and spend politician. What changes are made are usually centered on the degree of craftiness that is developed to disguise what you're doing from the people you're doing it to.

Case in point is this year's battle over the \$91 million in lottery revenue that the Administration has labeled "surplus." The money is being diverted from the cities and towns to the state over Fiscal years 1988 and 1989. It's being used to make up for \$91 million in local aid that was promised to the cities and towns by the Legislature. The money was vetoed by the Governor in order to balance the current year's state budget.

The Administration contends the money will be replaced with the lottery revenue so the communities will suffer no loss. That's the kind of shellgame rhetoric that P.T. Barnum would have been proud of.

The truth is the money, according to the state's lottery law, is what the communities are entitled to receive. So a diversion of \$91 million in lottery revenue to make up for a cut of \$91 million in local aid to cities and towns is a bottomline net loss, and a very serious one in a year when a record number of communities are facing Proposition 2½ overrides. The reality is that Massachusetts communities have lived under five years of very lean budgets at the same time the state was living with record-high revenues and spending those revenues to the last available dollar.

Now add to the picture some other facts. During the last five years the Administration added 10,000 new employees to the state payroll. The state budgets put together by Michael Dukakis during that same time

have ballooned by 70 percent. Also consider these items; at the end of Fiscal Year 1987 the state had a surplus of \$452 million, but by the end of Fiscal Year 1988 the Commonwealth had a deficit of \$500 million.

In addition, recent Federal tax law changes awarded Massachusetts over \$100 million in "windfall" revenue last year. Yet in the last month and a half the Governor has signed into law three new tax increases.

This fiscal year the state budget of Massachusetts totals \$11.65 billion. The gubernatorial budget-balancing vetoes amounted to \$138 million, with \$91 million coming out of the pockets of cities and towns.

Now, when facing growing concern from legislators and municipal officials on the impact the state aid cuts will have on local services, police and fire protection, and public education, the Governor responds by saying if the \$91 million is restored to cities and towns it will have to be made up by chopping Human Services programs.

That is an incredible and mean spirited response when you consider that \$91 million is about seven-tenths of one percent of the total budget in a state that has a mammoth bureaucracy. There is plenty of flexibility in the inflated state government to make the necessary reductions without taking a meat axe to vitally-needed human service programs.

It's time for some real "tough" choices, not ones that are simply politically expedient. It's time to show some real fiscally-tough management at the State House untainted by White money in the Fiscal 1989 state budget to give cities and towns what is rightfully theirs and to fund truly needed programs. So far the "tough" decisions have only hurt our communities and threatened human service efforts. Let's work together and push for the appropriate "tough" decision that places the interests of the people of the Commonwealth at the top of the agenda.

OFFICE CLOSED: Due to the Labor Day Weekend Holiday, we will be closed from Thursday, Sept. 1st, at noontime, to Tuesday morning, September 6th, at 6:30 a.m. Please slide your items under our door on Friday or Saturday, if possible. Thank-you for your cooperation.

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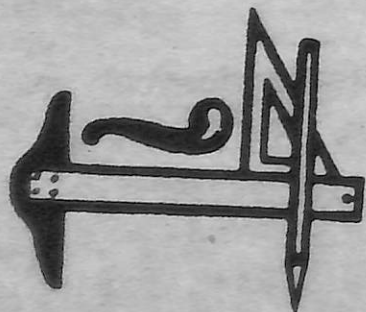
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Agawam Obituaries

Chester A. Miller

Chester A. Miller, 80, of 3965 Aiken Road, Pensacola, Florida, died August 10th, at his residence. He was a former resident of Agawam.

He was a native of Willow, South Dakota, and had resided in Pensacola for the past 24 years. He was the original manager of K-Mart on Davis Highway, Pensacola, and had worked in Kresge Stores (K-Mart) for 43 years, retiring in 1971 after seven years as manager for K-Mart in Pensacola.

After graduating from Cornell University in 1928, he began as a stock boy with Kresge in Philadelphia, soon rising to position of assistant manager. When he moved to Washington, D.C., then to Norfolk, Virginia, he met and married Louise Perkins. Hard work, determination, and managerial skills led to more responsible duties in Everett, to Dover, New Jersey as manager, to Camden, White Plains, New York, and Richmond, Virginia.

He was superintendent of stores for Kresge in Harrisburg, Pennsylvania, and traveled extensively in that region, having 20 stores under his supervision. After he moved to Boston, then to Lawrence for five years. His last move before Pensacola was Springfield.

He gave many hours of community work with the Red Cross, Lions Club, Elks Lodge, American Legion, as well as the Chambers of Commerce in various locations.

In Massachusetts, he and his wife were very active with the Democratic Town Committee in Agawam.

Survivors include his wife of 56 years, Louise Miller of Pensacola; three daughters, Muriel Petty of Long Island, New York, Carol Martinez of Key West, Florida, and Kathy White of Pensacola; two sons, Richard Miller of Pensacola, Chester Miller, Jr., of Jacksonville, Florida; a sister, Lillian Smith of Hawaii; a brother, Paul Miller of North Pitcher, New York; 11 grandchildren; and two great-grandchildren.

Funeral services were held in the Fisher-Pou Bayview Chapel with Monsignor George Sinkik, pastor of St. Paul's Catholic Church, officiating. Burial was in Bayview Memorial Park. Memorial contributions may be made to the American Cancer Society.

John Labun

John Labun, 78, of 81 Randall Street, Agawam, a retired 40-year machinist for Pratt and Whitney, died in Baystate Medical Center, Springfield. He retired in 1975.

Born in Barnesboro, Pennsylvania, he lived in Springfield for 50 years. He was a communicant of Sacred Heart Church, a charter member of the Polish American Club, and a member of the Agawam Golden Agers.

He leaves his wife, the former Mary T. Woishnis; two sons, Richard J. and Ronald J., both of Agawam; a daughter, Mary Anne Harnett of Holyoke; four brothers, Joseph of Anson, Maine, Frank of Feeding Hills, and George and Stephen, both of Agawam; and three grandchildren.

The funeral was at the Agawam Curran-Jones Funeral Home and in the church with burial in St. Thomas Cemetery, West Springfield. Memorial contributions may be made to the church.

Leontine F. Hope

Leontine F. (Charpentier) Hope, 103, of 12 Central Street, the oldest living resident of Agawam, died in Mercy Hospital. She had received the Gold Cane from the Town of Agawam for being the town's oldest resident.

Born in Montreal, Canada, she lived in Springfield for many years before moving to Agawam 37 years ago. She was a communicant of St. John the Evangelist Church. Her husband, David P. Hope, died in 1965.

She leaves three sons, George of Fort Lauderdale, Florida, Edward of Agawam, and Leo of West Springfield; two daughters, Lauretta Charpentier of Ludlow, and Alice Hope of Agawam; 16 grandchildren, 21 great-grandchildren, and two great-great-grandchildren.

The funeral was at Colonial Funeral Home and in the church with burial in Agawam Center Cemetery. Memorial contributions may be made to St. John the Evangelist Church Building Fund, 823 Main Street, Agawam, MA 01001.

New Assistance For Military Reservists

The Veterans Administration has provided education benefits to more than 100,000 military reservists after the first three years of a new assistance program for National Guard and Reserve members.

VA Administrator Thomas K. Turnage noted, "The program provides up to \$5,040 to eligible reservists for 36 months of college studies. For the first time, members of the Army, Navy, Air Force, Marine, and Coast Guard Reserves, and the Army and Air National Guards are now eligible for VA education benefits."

By July 1st, 1988, the third anniversary of the program, the 100,000th claim for benefits had been processed.

The reserve benefits are authorized by the Montgomery GI Bill, which also provides education benefits to veterans and active duty service members. The education program is funded by the Defense Department and administered by the VA.

VA programs have been providing educational benefits to veterans since 1944, but reservists have been eligible only since 1985, when the Montgomery GI Bill went into effect. More than 20 million Americans have received educational benefits totaling \$69.7 billion in the past 43 years.

"It has been estimated that these veterans will pay up to eight times the cost of their education in federal income taxes, or \$557.6 billion, from the added lifetime income their educations made possible," Turnage said. "And that doesn't even take into consideration the technological, commercial, artistic and other improvements their educations have returned to American society."

Q. — My husband is buried in a VA National Cemetery. Am I entitled to burial in the same cemetery?

A. — Yes. Burial in a National Cemetery is available to a veteran's widow, minor children, unmarried children under the age of 23 attending school and under certain conditions, to unmarried adult children.

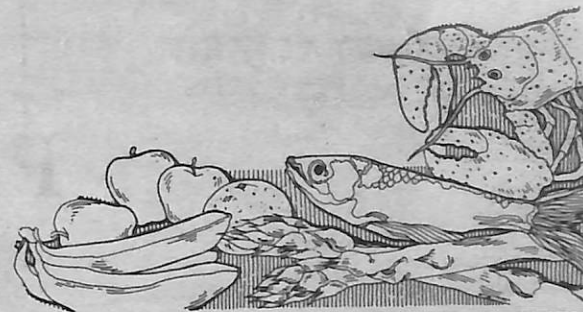
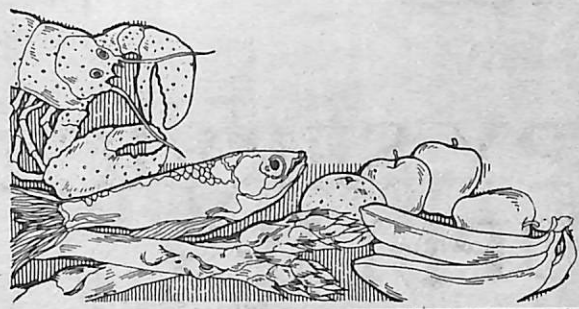
Q. — I am a 100 percent service-connected disabled veteran. My wife and I are getting a divorce. Will she be entitled to a portion of my compensation after the divorce becomes final.

A. — No. Her entitlement to all benefits ceases when the divorce is final.

Q. — My husband was cremated and his ashes were scattered. Is it possible to have a memorial marker placed in a VA National Cemetery?

A. — Yes. The memorial may be erected in a private cemetery or memorial section of a national cemetery.

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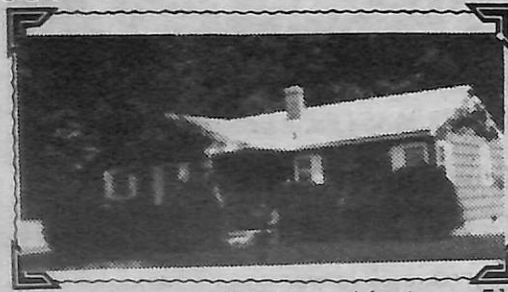
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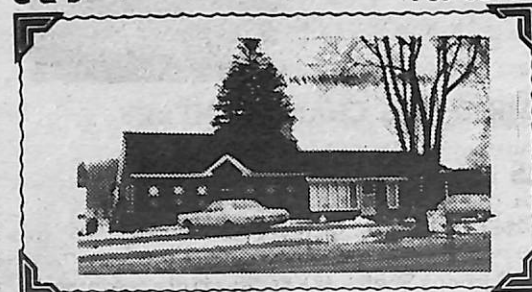
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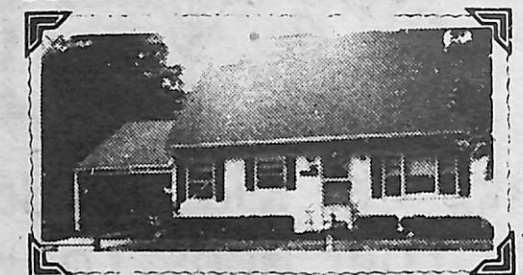
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MR. & MRS. CHARLES SHERRY

Charles & Barbara Sherry Celebrate 35th Anniversary

Charles & Barbara Sherry of Feeding Hills celebrated their 35th anniversary recently with family and friends at a surprise party.

The surprise was planned by their children, Sandi & Rich Pelchat, Don & Laura Sherry, and Cindy & Drev Demay, not to mention their four proud grandchildren, Lisa, Krista, Danny, and Timmy.

Mrs. Sherry, the former Barbara Craven, is employed by Steigers Bay State, and Charles is self-employed with his son, Donald, at ABC Delivery.



MR. & MRS. EDMUND J. MELAUGH Mary Lucilla DeGrandpre Bride Of Mr. Melaugh

Mr. & Mrs. Paul DeGrandpre of Feeding Hills announce the marriage of their daughter, Mary Lucilla, to Edmund John Melaugh, Jr., son of Mr. & Mrs. Edmund Melaugh of Brighton, Massachusetts.

Reverend Marshall Hunt of Lowell performed the ceremony July 30th, at St. David's Episcopal Church, Feeding Hills. Attending the bride was her sister, Lisa DeGrandpre, as maid of honor. Tony Abreu was the best man, and Dave Castoldi and Bryan McManus served as ushers.

The bride, a 1977 graduate of Agawam High School, earned her bachelor of arts degree in English from Regis College, Weston, Massachusetts, in 1981, and received her master's degree in library science from Simmons College, Boston, in 1984.

She is employed in Investment Information/Research Services at Fidelity Investments, Boston.

The bridegroom is a graduate of Brighton High School and attended Boston State College. He manages the Service Department at Quality Pest Control in Billerica.

The couple met at the Newton YMCA, where the groom instructs jujitsu self-defense courses. They will live in Billerica and when they return from their honeymoon cruise to the Caribbean.



GRAND MASTER ALBERT AMES

Grand Master Albert Ames Guest of Elm Lodge Sept. 6th

The Grand Master of the State of Massachusetts, Albert T. Ames, will be the guest of Elm Lodge at a dinner and meeting on Tuesday, September 6th, at the Elm Lodge facilities, 53 River Street, Agawam.

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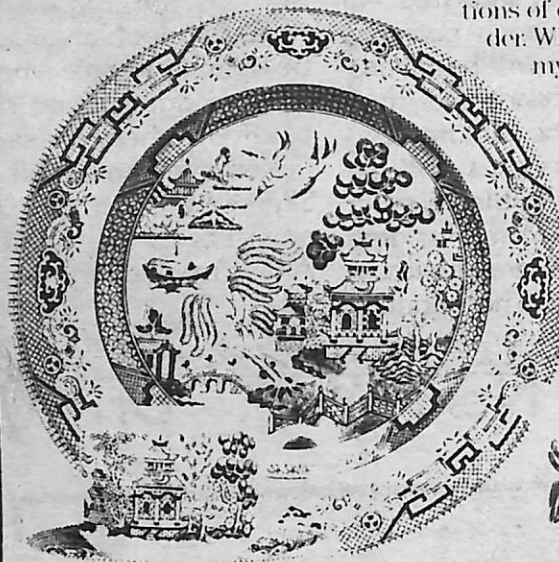
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Agawam Senior Center News & Activities

September 2nd, Friday: 1:00 p.m., Diabetic Screening by appointment.

September 6th, Tuesday: 1:00 p.m., Blood Pressure, A-L.

September 7th, Wednesday: 9:00 a.m., Podiatry, Dr. Haynes.

September 8th, Thursday: 12:30 p.m., program, "Guide To Long Term Care" Insurance with Dave Rich, Amex Assurance Company.

September 12th, Monday: 9:30 a.m., reservations open for Annual "Big E" Trip.

September 20th, Tuesday: 1:00 p.m., Blood Pressure, M-Z.

September 22nd, Thursday: 10:00 a.m., Foot Nurses by appointment.

September 27th, Tuesday: 2:00 p.m., Legal consultation with Attorney Teryl Jansons, by appointment.

Bingo every Saturday night. Doors open at 5:15 p.m. Game starts at 6:30 p.m.

Springfield J.C.C. To Host Senior Art Exhibit:

The Senior Adult Department of the Springfield Jewish Community Center will host the Gurvitch Memorial Art Show, which is scheduled to open Sunday, September 18th. This show highlights the creative efforts of all area senior residents who wish to enter and exhibit their works. The show will feature works in the following five categories: watercolor, oils and acrylics, pastels and drawings, mixed media, and sculpture. Cash prizes will be awarded for first place in each category and for Best of Show. Ribbons will be awarded in each category for second and third place. All Senior Adults of the Greater Springfield area who are 60 years plus and are non-professional artists, are eligible to enter and exhibit in the show. Entry forms for area non-professional senior artists are available at the Agawam Senior Center. The deadline

for entry forms to be received by the J.C.C. is Wednesday, September 7th.

Fun Walk, October 16th: Free Mawaga T-Shirts. Come join the Agawam Senior Center "Mawaga Walkers" for the Fun/Walk in the "Paper Chase" sponsored by the *Union News*. The Senior Center Activities Department welcomes all ages to join in on this fun day. The "Fun Walk" benefits the Springfield YMCA and the fun and exercise benefits all. There will be Mawaga T-shirts given to all who participate for as long as they last, compliments of Valley Bank. Transportation will be available to those who need it and on a first request basis, as space will be limited. Applications and more information available through Senior Center Activities Department, 786-0400, Extension 242.

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Reservations will open on Monday, September 12th, at 9:30 a.m., for first timers only. For further information, please call the Activities Department, 786-0400, extension 242.



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Janine L. Sadowski Weds Mario J. Iacolo

Miss Janine Lee Sadowski of Feeding Hills, daughter of Mr. & Mrs. Jan P. Sadowski, Sr., of 25 Homer Street, Feeding Hills, was married to Mario John Iacolo of Feeding Hills.

The groom is the son of Mr. & Mrs. Norman Iacolo of 232 North Westfield Street, Feeding Hills.

The ceremony took place Saturday, August 20th, at 10:30 a.m., at Sacred Heart Church, Feeding Hills. Father David Joyce officiated.

The reception followed at Betty's Old Towne House. Matron of honor was Eileen Chapman. Bridesmaids were Karen Sadowski, sister-in-law of the bride, and Michelle Rolland, longtime friend of the bride. Flower girl was Stephanie Sadowski, niece of the bride.

Best man was Tim Chapman, longtime friend of the groom. Ushers included Bruno Iacolo, brother of the groom, Bob Cipreani, friend of the groom. Junior usher was Philip Sampson, nephew of the bride, and ringbearer was Steven Sadowski, son of the bride.

The bride attended Agawam High School and is attending Holyoke Community College, specializing in child care and development.

The bridegroom graduated from Agawam High School and Rensselaer Polytech Institute. He is employed as an associate engineer for Northeast Utilities.

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Agawam Senior Center News & Activities



MEMBERS OF THE AGAWAM LIONS CLUB and Heritage Hall Staff joined to co-sponsor a family day barbeque for residents and their families recently. Pictured above are Regena Bassy, Joannie Mitchell, and Wendy Cone (with tray). At right is Lions Club President Thomas Cascio. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.



MUNCHING ON THEIR CORN-ON-THE-COB at the family picnic at Heritage Hall Nursing Home are Nicole Buegtenbach and Jennifer Sayward. MORE PHOTOS ON PAGE 16...Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

DiPietros Enjoy Caribbean Cruise

Mr. and Mrs. John DiPietro of Holden enjoyed a Caribbean cruise this summer with their children, Maria and Christina.

Mr. DiPietro, a former Agawam resident, is the son of Mr. and Mrs. John DiPietro of Agawam.

Robert And Lisa Germano Announce Birth Of Son

Robert and Lisa Germano of West Springfield proudly announce the birth of their son, Anthony Raymond, on August 15. He weighed 6 lbs. 2½ ozs.

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Grange Hall
7:30 p.m.

Friday, September 9th
"First Friday Series"
Artist Jerome Radin
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7:30 p.m.

Sunday, September 12th
50th Anniversary
Ag. Catholic Women's Club
Mass. at 5:30 p.m.; dinner to follow
At Chez Josef - Tivoli Room

Saturday, September 24th
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Women's Auxiliary
Polish American Club
9:30 to 4:00 p.m.



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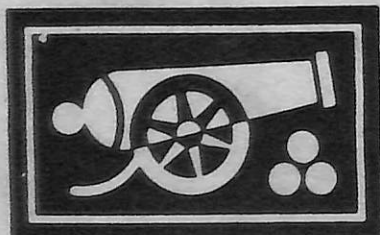
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Annual Family Picnic Held At Heritage Hall



AGAWAM LIONS CLUB MEMBERS Tom Cascio, Jr. (left) and Paul Fieldstad volunteered their services to barbeque chicken at the Annual Family Picnic at Heritage Hall Nursing Home. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.



FAMILY MEMBERS GATHER AROUND Heritage Hall resident Irene Smarse. Pictured are Jason Giannoccaro,, Howard Robby, Jeannette Bonville, Julie Robtoy, Bob Smarse, Carol Gagnon, and Chelsea Charette (baby). Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.



HERITAGE HALL RESIDENT MARGARET BUSH is pictured at the Annual Family Picnic with her daughter, Joann Sliech, and Ceil Messier. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.



BARBEQUED CHICKEN TASTES GREAT, No Matter How Old You Are! Heritage Hall resident Theresa MacKechnie, 88, and two year-old Anya Bogdanovich said the chicken was finger lickin' good. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

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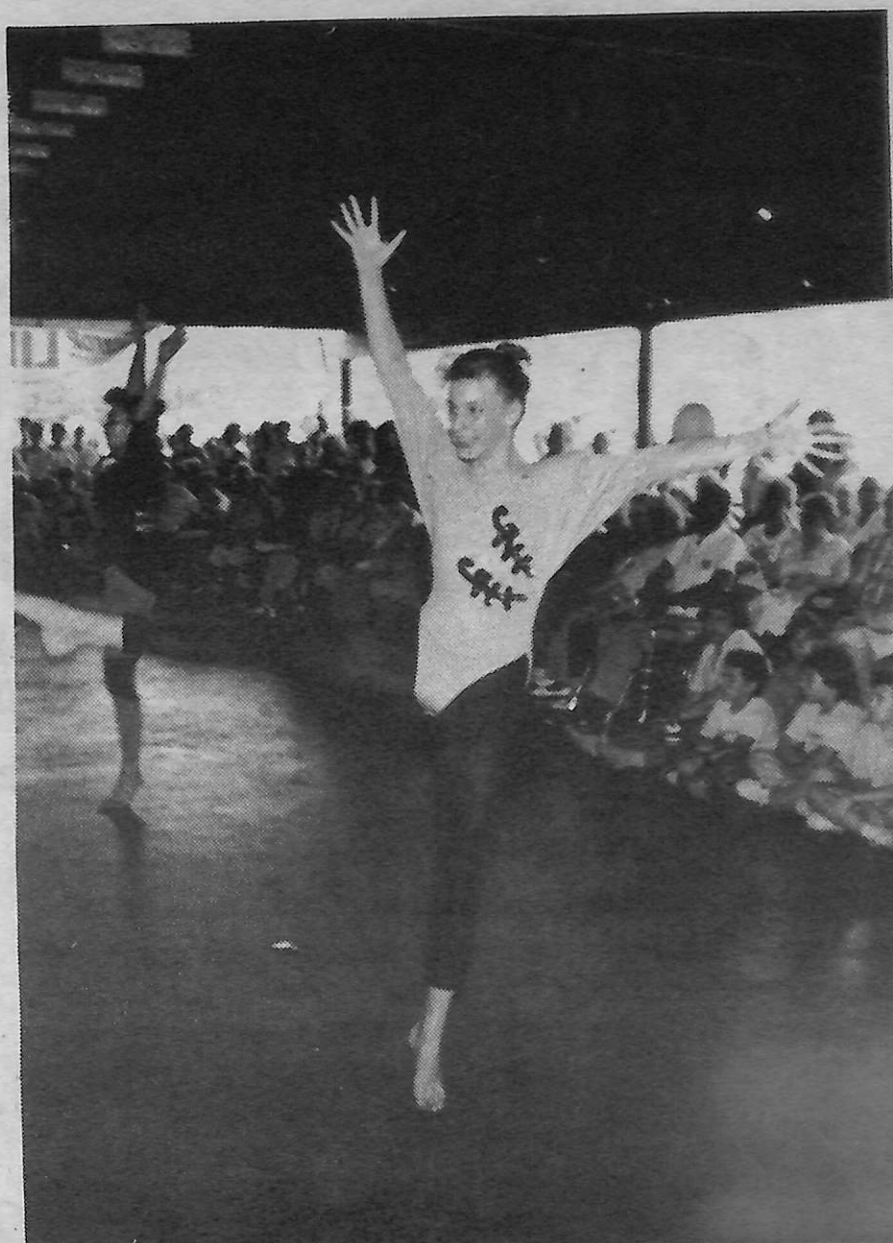
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Spotlight On Business...

DANCERS IMAGE II



DANCER'S IMAGE II is located in the Hollow Pine Shopping Plaza, Feeding Hills. The studio is owned and operated by Tina Moccio. The studio held its open house last weekend. Classes run weekly from September through May. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.



AMY HOSMER of Dancer's Image II performs a routine last Sunday at State Senator Linda Melconian's Annual Picnic at the Polish American Club. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

Dancer's Image II Opens In F.H.

by Diana Hall
Advertiser News Staff

Little girls dream of growing up to be ballerinas. Tina Moccio, owner and director of **Dancer's Image** and **Dancer's Image II**, not only lived that dream herself, but is helping others to do the same.

Tina started dancing at age five and began teaching dance at age 13. Three years ago she opened her own studio, **Dancer's Image**, at 77 Mill Street, Westfield. A true love of the art form and a lot of hard work have made the venture a success. So much so that this September will see the opening of **Dancer's Image II** at 497 Springfield Street, Feeding Hills.

Versatility is the byword for the studio's offerings, with ballet, tap, jazz, and acrobatics for ages four to adult all included. This year Tina has added an all boys acrobatic class, as well. Small classes of 10 to 12 students and two teachers per class ensure individual attention for each participant, whether a beginner or more advanced dancer.

Classes run weekly from September through May. In May the year culminates with a recital at West Springfield High School. Each location will have its own recital lasting approximately 2-2½ hours.

Glamorous costumes, snappy music, and excited, well-rehearsed youngsters have combined on past recital nights to make memorable occasions for students and parents alike.

Summer clinics take place in August. The clinics, which last one week each, are especially good for beginners, helping them to decide what type of dance they like best.

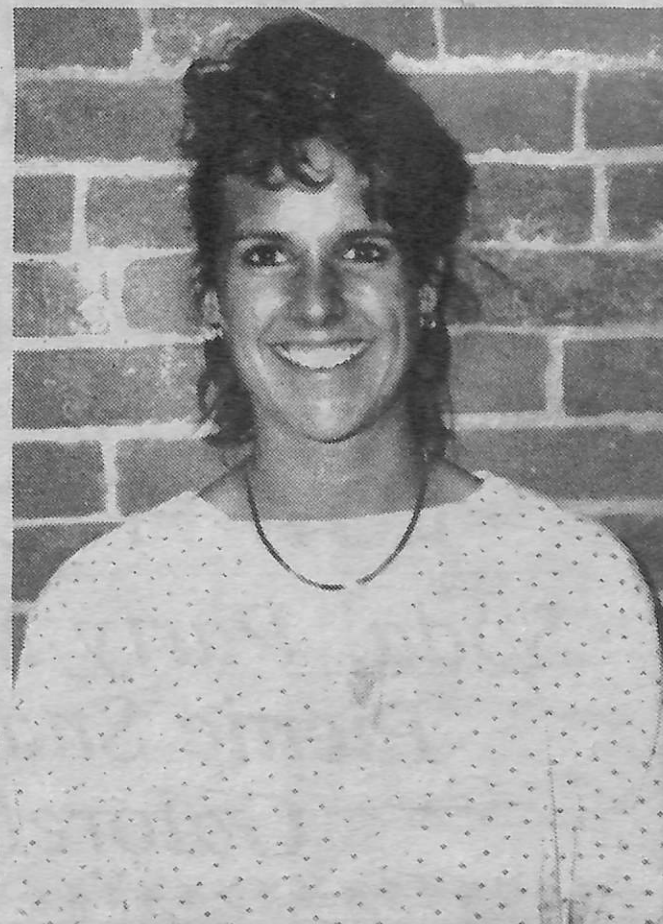
Although Tina teaches all phases of dance herself, she is assisted by a staff of four. Beth Tynan, of Feeding Hills, instructs jazz students. Beth is known to many Agawam residents for the choreography she has done for the Agawam Show Choir.

Heidi Jaeger, "Miss Starmaker 1988," teaches acrobatics and Laura Lee Martin is an instructor for ballet, tap, and jazz. Lee Lacienski of Feeding Hills, rounds out the staff at **Dancer's Image II** in the roles of receptionist and right-hand woman.

For the more serious student, dance competition is an option. **Dancer's Image** enters several competitions each year, with most located in Massachusetts and Connecticut. The most notable exception is the "Miss Starmaker" competition held in Maryland each July.

At **Dancer's Image** pupils have fun while they learn. And learn they do, both technique and technology. Students receive a well-rounded education in dance, one of our oldest and most joyous arts.

Anyone wishing to register or seeking further information can call Tina at 568-0417 or Lee at 786-3877.



TINA MOCCIO is owner and director of the new **Dancer's Image II** in Feeding Hills. She already has **Dancer's Image** at 77 Mill Street, Westfield.

Riverside Park Maintenance Moves Into New Home

The Maintenance Department at Riverside Park has moved into their new "home," a 16,000 square foot complex.

The new complex replaces the maintenance building destroyed in April 1987 by a suspicious fire. Ground-breaking of the new building began in January 1988 and has just been completed.

Located adjacent to the Cyclone, the building houses the Maintenance Administration Offices and Park Quality Control as well as the Mechanical, Carpenter, Paint, and Welding shops. The departments had been scattered throughout the park and have finally been reunited after almost 1½ years.

The new building is designed with added features such as a large break area, locker rooms, showers as

well as central music and air conditioning, and a sprinkler system throughout the building. The destroyed Maintenance building in 1987 was also the home of the Personnel, Marketing, and Group Sales offices as well. These offices will be built separately combined with Data Processing and Administrative offices. Plans are underway for construction.



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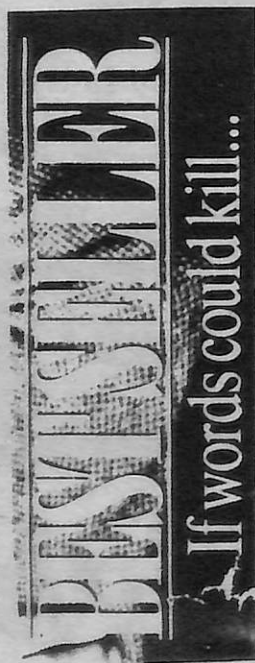
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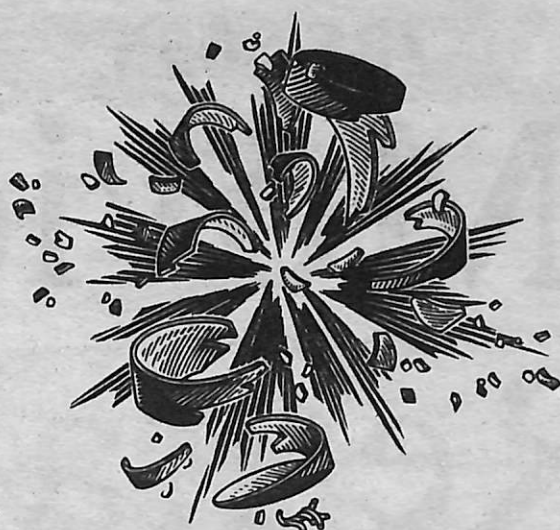
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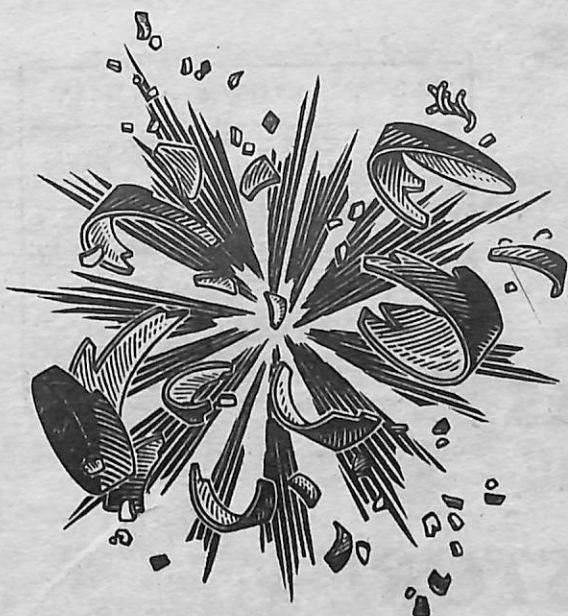
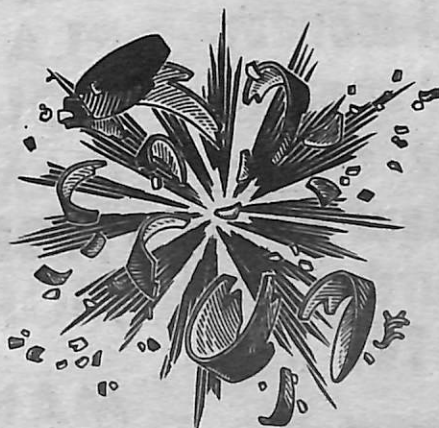
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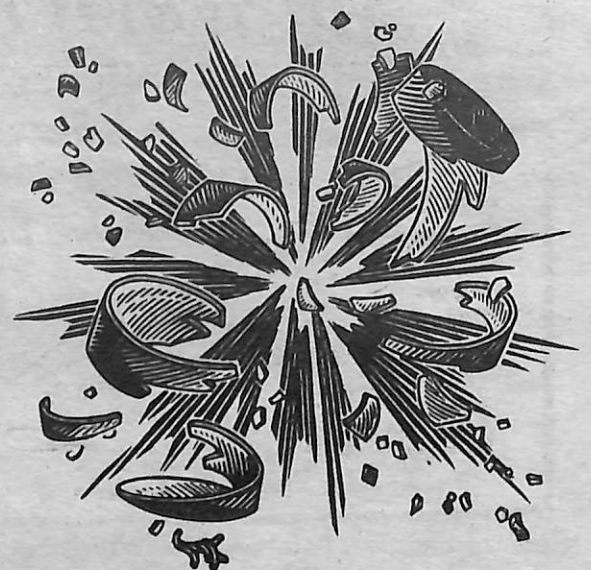
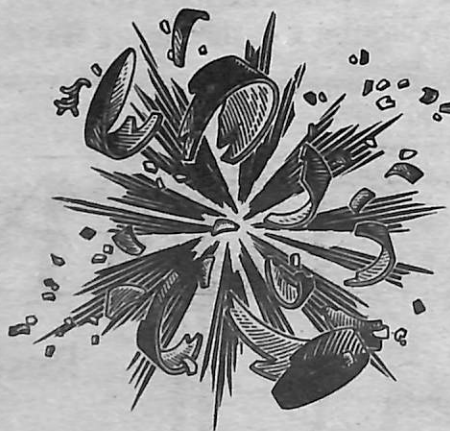
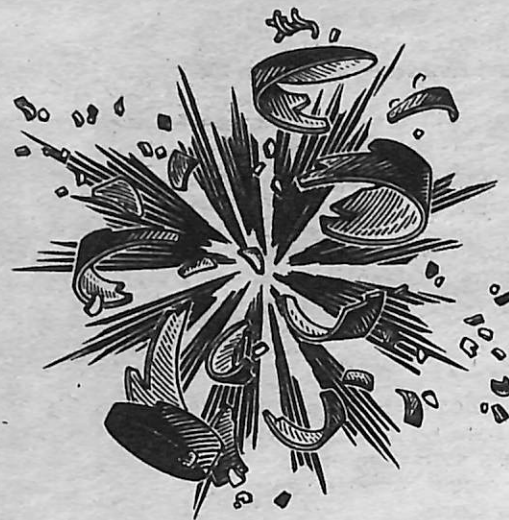
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Spotlight On Business - continued...

Renovated & Expanded BayBank Valley Office Unveiled In Agawam

A group of distinguished Agawam citizens and guests assembled Monday, August 23rd, at 10:00 a.m., for a formal ribbon cutting ceremony at BayBank Valley's newly-expanded and renovated Agawam Office at 51 Springfield Street.

The branch's expansions will ensure BayBank's continued ability to provide superior service to Agawam residents. The branch has expanded 1,000 square feet from 1,637 square feet to 2,637 square feet.

Renovations to the office consist of new safe deposit boxes and a new automated night depository, as well as new architectural elements, including a Customer Service Counter and awnings on the outside of the branch.

As always, the public is welcome to access the office's X-Press 24 electronic banking machine 24 hours a day. The Agawam office's staff continues to give demonstrations on two new recent enhancements: **Account Update and Customer Cash.**

Account Update gives you up-to-date information on your recent account activity, including cleared checks, BayBank Card transactions, and deposit information.

Customer Cash allows you to personalize a fast cash withdrawal amount that's right for you, such as \$30 to \$150.

After setting your favorite amount, you'll receive it automatically whenever you choose Customer Cash in the future. These enhancements extend the office's capability to further meet the financial needs of Agawam businesses and residents.

Cheryl Vieceili, assistant vice president of the Agawam Office, with overall responsibility for sales development, says that the office will be staffed by nine banking professionals. Bob Brown will serve as the office's new Customer Service manager.

Staff members at BayBank's Agawam Office assist customers with numerous products including checking, savings and money market accounts, personal lines of credit, safe deposit facilities, equity and student loans, short and long term investment, and mortgages.

The office hours are 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m., Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday; 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., Thursday; 9:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m., Friday; and 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m., Saturday.



RIBBON-CUTTING CEREMONY at BayBank Valley, from left - Cheryl Vieceili, assistant vice-president; George Barufaldi, senior vice-president; Wilbert Locklin, chairman of the board; Richard Stebbins, president and chief executive officer; Warren Luthgren, president, Agawam Chamber of Commerce; Robert Brown, Customer Service manager; Reid S. Charles, town manager; Donald Anderson, business officer of bank; and Paula Burke, assistant town treasurer. Advertiser News photo by Joan Lussier.



ON HAND FOR THE GRAND OPENING of BayBank Valley's newly-expanded and renovated office. From left - Robert Brown, De De Racela, Lorraine Labun, Merilla Manna, Sheryl Fleming, Agnes Lesniewski, Carol Perfette, Marjorie Wood, Patricia Aube, and Cheryl Vieceili. IN PHOTO LEFT, Denise Mortimer dons a rather large BayBank X-Press 24 card. Advertiser News photos by Joan Lussier.



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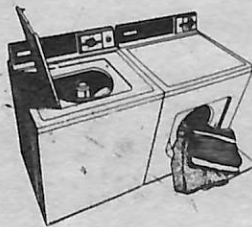
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Spotlight On Business - continued...

Big Day For Agawam's BayBank Valley



THE FRONT OF THE NEWLY-RENOVATED BAYBANK VALLEY branch, located in the Agawam Shopping Plaza on Springfield Street. Grand opening ceremonies were held on Monday, August 22nd. Advertiser News photo by Joan Lussier.



BAYBANK VALLEY PRESIDENT RICHARD STEBINS presents Lorraine Labun of Agawam with the "Customer Loyalty Award" for the Agawam office at grand opening ceremonies, Monday, August 22nd. Advertiser News photo by Joan Lussier.

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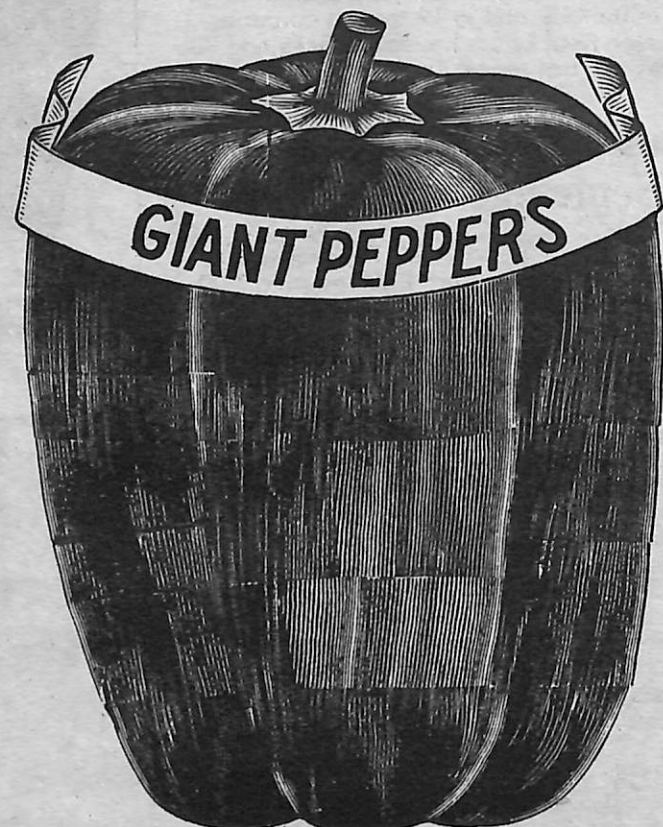
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Green & Green Says Home Location Key Concern For Buyers

The location of a home and, in particular, the neighborhood in which that home is located is of vital concern to homebuyers.

"Homebuyers should look around the area to determine if it is compatible with their needs," says Tofie A. George, president of George & Green Real Estate Company. "Talking to people in the area, such as residents, postal carriers and representatives of the real estate community can help buyers make the right decision."

George & Green Real Estate, which is a member of RELO/Inter-City Relocation Service, the nation's oldest and largest referral network of independent real estate brokers serving transferees and their families, helps buyers select the neighborhood that meets their needs. The RELO network, headquartered in Chicago, helps individuals sell a house in one community and purchase a home in the new community.

According to George, before purchasing a home there are some important factors about a new neighborhood to consider. They are:

—Transportation. What is the distance between home and the work place and is public transportation available? If you must depend on public transportation, are trains and buses nearby and conveniently scheduled? If you are driving to work, how accessible are expressways and tollways and are they in reasonably good condition?

—Children. Are there other children in the neighborhood? What are their ages? What is the quality of schools in the area? Are they within walking distance for your children? If not, is bus service to schools available?

—Environment. What other kinds of properties are in the area, such as industrial complexes or professional office buildings? Is the area relatively quiet or is noise a problem from airplane traffic, factories, railroads, or freeways? Is pollution a problem or are there other sources of potential objectionable odors? Is flooding a problem in the area because of inadequate drainage systems?

—Community amenities. Are adequate shopping facilities nearby? What about theaters, museums and other sources of entertainment? Are recreational facilities such as public parks or forest preserves in the area? Does the area have an adequate supply of restaurants? How is the police and fire department service?

—Neighbors. Are the houses far enough apart to suit you? How have your neighbors, particularly those on each side of you, maintained their property on the outside? Are other homes in need of painting, new roofs, or new gutters? Are lawns mowed and trees and shrubs trimmed or does the exterior generally appear run-down? What is the age group of your neighbors and how large are their families?

"Buyers need to find an area that has all the advantages necessary to maintain their lifestyles," George says. "Researching the area for these and other factors will assure buyers that they are getting exactly the homes they want and in the areas they like."

The information on your new area can be obtained through George & Green Real Estate, along with other information about a home, George adds.

The RELO Service network of which George & Green is a member, is composed of nearly 1,200-member companies with more than 3,400-member offices nationwide. The RELO network has representatives in 13,000 cities in the U.S. and in 19 foreign countries.

George & Green Real Estate has four offices and 70 sales associates and has served the Springfield area for 13 years.

9th Annual Irish Festival Set For September 11th

The 9th Annual Sons of Erin Irish Festival will be held Sunday, September 11th, from 12:00 noon to 7:00 p.m., at the Polish American Club, Route 57, Feeding Hills.

Entertainment will include continuous Irish music by three great Irish bands—Kerry Shamrocks with Leo Doherty, The Bards, and Deirdre Reilly, with more music at the Sons of Erin, 22 William Street, Westfield, from 7:00 p.m., with Deirdre Reilly.

Fun and games are available for children, along with Irish Step Dancing. Hot dogs, hamburgs, Irish bread, and cornbeef sandwiches will be available. Advance tickets are \$4, children under 15, free. At the door, tickets are \$5. The festival will benefit the Sons of Erin Building Fund.

Tickets are available at the following locations: Sons of Erin, 22 William Street, Westfield, 562-5927; Erin's Own Irish Imports, Westfield, 568-1707; or John Boyle O'Reilly Club, Springfield.

Cub Scout Pack 78 Schedules Sign-Ups For New Members

Cub Scout Pack 78 will be holding sign-ups on Tuesday, September 13th, at 7:00 p.m., at the Polish Club, Southwick Street, Feeding Hills.

Any boy who is seven years-old is invited to join. At least one parent is required to attend. The registration fee is \$10.

For further information, call 786-1882.

Card Party Slated For St. Thomas Aquinas

Council 324, St. Thomas Aquinas, of L'Union St. Jean-Baptiste of Springfield, will host a card party on Sunday, September 18th, at 12:30 p.m., in the Parish Hall of St. Thomas Aquinas Church, at the corner of Waverly and Dwight Streets, Springfield.

Refreshments will be served and prizes awarded. A raffle will be held to benefit the matching gifts program of USJB.

Admission price is \$2, and tickets may be obtained at the door or by purchasing them in advance by calling Rollande Berube, 736-5114; Germaine Pepin, 739-4664; Larry or Rose Stanislas, 786-9203; Jeannine Beaudette, 788-0390; Lillian Peloquin, 593-9779; or Denis Vermette, 533-0509.

Assisting the committee is Rachel Marois, Marcel Peloquin, and Theresa Brodeur.

The public is invited.

Feeding Hills Women To Open Club Season

The Feeding Hills Women's Club has planned an interesting program for its upcoming season. The first speaker on Wednesday, September 7th, will be Suzanne Mueller. Her topic will be the "Peace Corps."

Meetings are held on the first Wednesday every month at Grange Hall, North West Street, Feeding Hills, at 8:00 p.m.

The officers for 1988-89 are President, Virginia Lake; Vice-President, Thelma Horenstein; Secretary, Rita Matys; and Treasurer, Barbara Kupec.

Hostesses for the meeting are Murine Goodwin, chairwoman; Rose Demers, Cecilia Hyland, and Anna Waniewski.

Scholarships were awarded for this school year to Elizabeth Regish, who will be attending Mt. Holyoke College, and Frank Casey, who will attend Western New England College.

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It's Big E Time As Sheep Show Highlights Coming Of The Fair

It's Big E time at Eastern States Exposition in West Springfield, and time for the sheep shows! The Big E Sheep Show is a grand event that features 13 individual breed shows including the National Cheviot Show and the Northeast Regional Tunis Show. Events also include a shearing contest, fleece show, a spinning bee, as well as the market lamb carcass auction, the fleece to fabric contest, the handmade woolen articles competition, and many 4-H sheep competitions.

Wool products will be judged the day before The Big E opens on September 13th and will remain on exhibit through September 25th. Wool products include a variety of classes for clothing, household accessories, sheepskin products, pictures and other items—all made of 100 percent wool, whether fabric, fleece, or yarn.

The fleece show is Wednesday, September 14th, at 10:00 a.m., in the Wool Nook. Fleeces are broken into 13 classes according to various breeds and crossbreed entries, and must have been shorn in 1988. All the fleeces will be judged and some will be selected for exhibition.

The sheep shearing contest will be held on Sunday, September 18th, at 12:30 p.m., in Mallory Arena. This contest is split in two classes: one for men and another for women, and is designed for skillful and experienced sheep shearers. Shearers will remove the wool from the sheep, and will be judged on how well they handle the animal in addition to their skill with the shears and their timing.

The fleece to fabric contest takes place Sunday, September 18th, at 4:15 p.m., in the New England Center. The four member team of spinners and weavers will have a three hour limit to weave a shawl 19" by 22" wide and a minimum of 60" long with a minimum fringe of 5" on each end. Teams supply their own fleece which may be washed and dyed, but not carded (separating the wool strands) in advance. The teams will be judged on the basis of their spinning, weaving, speed, and design of the shawl.

The spinning bee will be Monday, September 19th, at 1:00 p.m., in the New England Center. Contestants supply their own wheel or drop spindle and prepared fleece. The winners will be determined by the greatest number of yards of yarn spun in the allotted time as well as the quality of yarn spun.

4-H contests include the sheep blocking and trimming contest, the sheep shearing contest, and the challenge course competition, in which the 4-H exhibitor who has best trained and halter broken his/her sheep is determined with the use of a pre-designed challenge course with six to eight obstacles. Rounding off the 4-H sheep competitions is the sheep quiz bowl in which each New England state enters a top team to compete, a general knowledge sheep quiz which is taken by every 4-H sheep participant, 4-H lead line and the shepherd award program in which each state exhibit is judged and ranked according to 4-H member conduct and cleanliness of the exhibit area. 4-H sheep type show, judging and fitting and showmanship will be held the final weekend of the fair, September 24th and 25th.

Sheep enthusiasts, young and old, are invited to come and enjoy all the competitions and special events that will be featured during the 1988 Eastern States Exposition Sheep Show. The Big E, "New England's Great State Fair," takes place September 14th-25th.

Hurricane Watchers To Remember '38 At The Big E

Weather watchers and storm chasers be on the lookout for "Hurricane Day" on September 21st at The Big E, "New England's Great State Fair." Volunteers are needed throughout the 12-day fair, September 14th to 25th, at the exhibit which helps commemorate the Hurricane of 1938. The storm roared into New England 50 years ago on the same date, interrupting the run of the 22nd annual Eastern States Exposition.

The special hurricane exhibit, located in the New England Center for the duration of the fair, will feature stories, recollections, and photos of the Hurricane of '38 and its aftermath at the fair.

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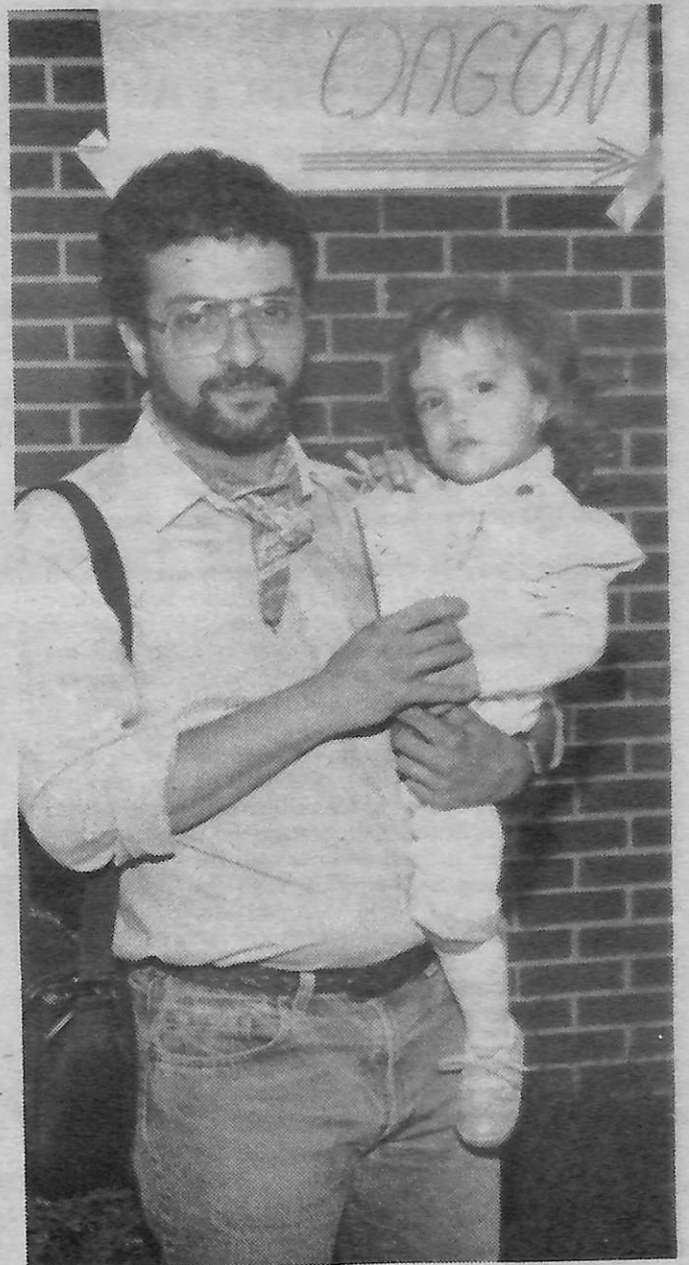
“Down-Home” At The Agawam Senior Center



BERNIE WHITTLE OF AGAWAM and his “Country Spurs” entertain those who attended the Agawam Senior Center’s “Hoe-Down” on August 21st. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.



RUNNING THE RAFFLE at the Agawam Senior Center’s “Hoe-Down are Jessie Fuller (left) and Laura Dugan. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.



RICHARD MUNDO, executive director of the Agawam Senior Center, is pictured with his daughter, Elizabeth, 2, at the Agawam Senior Center’s “Hoe-Down” on August 21st. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

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THE FAMOUS COMMUNITY CART of Park West Bank and Trust was utilized at the Agawam Senior Center's Hoe-Down. From left - Jeannette McCave, Helen Vermeiren, and Germaine Fontaine. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.



SENIOR CENTER ACTIVITIES DIRECTOR Sandra Smith (center) is pictured with Desiree Jacobs and Anna Eddy at the center's big Hoe-Down. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

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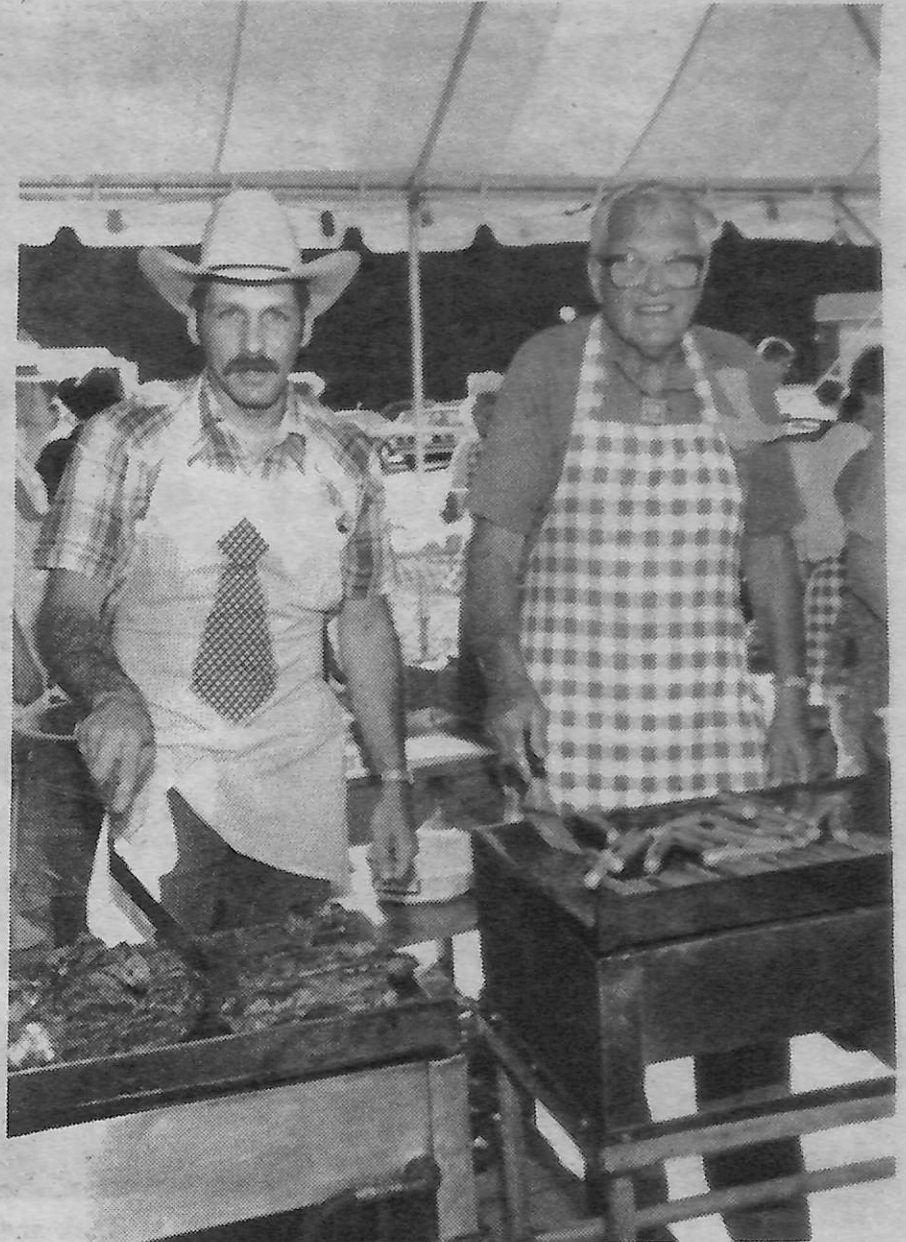
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COUNTY WESTERN DANCING ruled the roost at the Agawam Senior Center's big Hoe-Down, Sunday, August 21st. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.



COOKING HOT DOGS AND STEAKS at the Agawam Senior Center's Hoe-Down are Bob Whittle (left) and Ed Strazko. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

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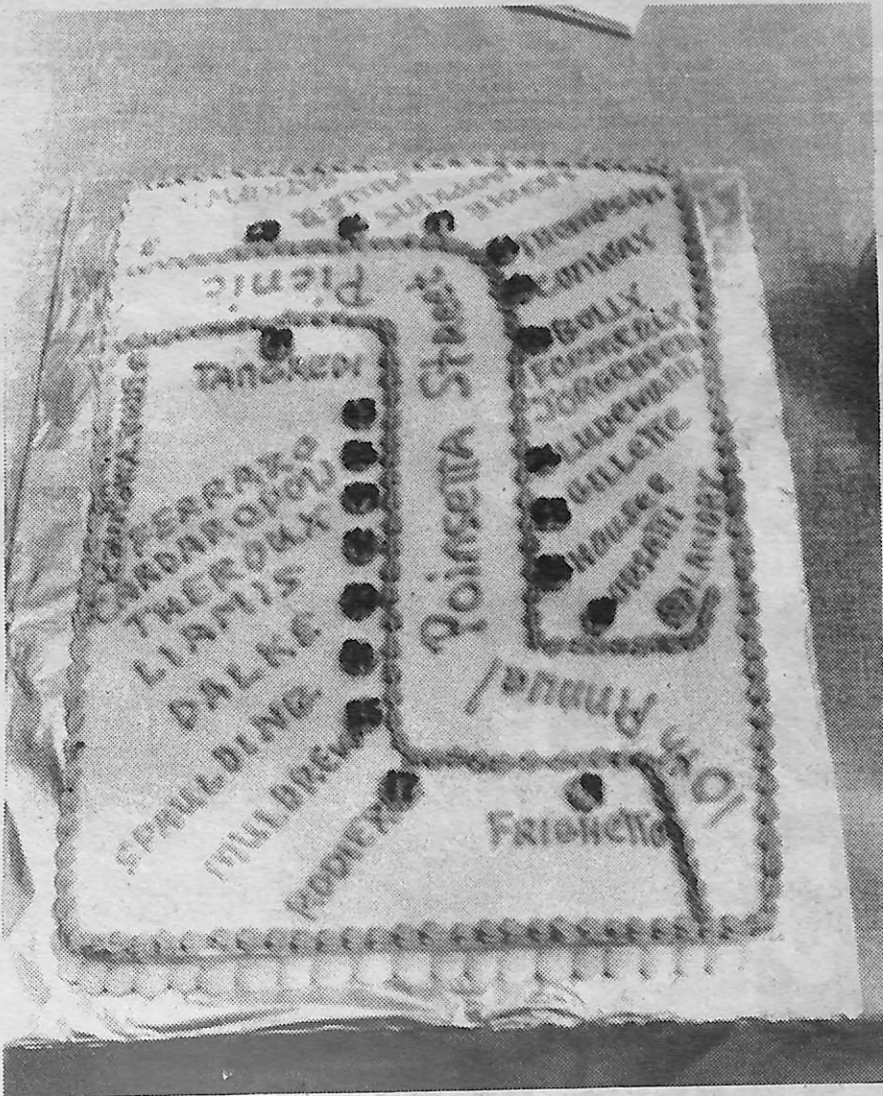


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Poinsetta Neighbors Gather For 10th (see next page)...



POINSETTA STREET NEIGHBORS enjoyed a 10th anniversary cake for their Block Party last weekend. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.



CELEBRATING THE ANNUAL POINSETTA STREET Block Party are neighbors Andy Jorgenson, Jim Liamis, Dave Bolly, and Sue Jorgenson. **MORE PHOTOS ON PAGE 31...** Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

St. John's Dance Sets Registration & Shoe Swap

On September 6th, between 4:00 and 5:00 p.m., St. John's Dance, Main Street, Agawam, invites new and returning students to register for fall classes, which will begin on September 12th.

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(continued from Page 31) **Annual Neighborhood Block Party**

POINSETTA STREET neighbors Donna Liamis, Janice Ludemann, Lynn O'Brien, Joan Hauser, and Lori Lusnia are having a great time at the street's 10th Annual Block Party. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.



CHILDREN AT THE Poinsetta Street Block Party included Brandon Orsatti, Tracy Landry, Christy Bolly, and Ryan Bolly. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

Coors Gallery Of Women At Big E

"Coors Gallery of Women," a stunning photographic exhibit of women with fascinating lives, sponsored by the Adolph Coors Company, will be featured at The Big E from September 14-25 in West Springfield, MA.

Located in the New England Center, the exhibit will consist of tall, graceful and softly lit plexiglass panels containing photographs of women's faces, sensitive enough to tell a story without words. Women from both the past and present are honored for their contributions to the arts, health, sciences, sports and government.

"We Are You," is the theme used for the exhibit about women who have set high goals for their lives, encouraged other women towards independence and made the world better for others.

The exhibit, which has appeared at the Minnesota State Fair, the National Association of Museums, and the Chicago Daley Center, honors the accomplishments of women such as Sarah Caldwell, for founding The Opera Company of Boston; Isadora Duncan, for liberating dance forms of the 20th century; Annie Turnbo-Malone, for developing a line of black cosmetics; Sara Josephine Baker, for reducing infant mortality; Ada Deer, for reestablishing a Wisconsin Indian tribe and Amelia Earhart, for being the first woman to pilot a plane across the Atlantic.

Also at the New England Center is "Hurricane of '38," an exhibit presenting a historic recollection of the storm that struck the area and fairgrounds fifty years ago; a display of handmade items, such as quilts, rugs, and needlework, that won ribbons at the Craftadventure '88 contest; and many youth group displays.

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News, Activities At Heritage Hall

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Lillian was born in New Bedford, Massachusetts, October 1st, 1897. She also had two sisters, Marie Lash of Maine and Elsie Gravel of West Springfield. Both sisters left the New Bedford area soon after they were married.

Lillian stayed on, working in the cotton mills for 18 years and caring for her elderly parents. When they died, she moved to West Springfield to be near her sister, Elsie.

Hearing of her parents' deaths was an old friend and former neighbor, Manuel Mesquitta. He came to visit Lillian. After a short courtship, they were married in Ludlow and moved back to New Bedford. Manuel inherited a barbershop from his father and he continued to carry on the business for many years.

After Manuel's death 13 years ago, Lillian again came back to the West Springfield area and her sister. She has been a communicant of St. Michael's Church in Springfield where she was active in the Society for St. Anthony and St. Jude.

Lillian also has several nieces and nephews in Maine. She enjoys reading, sewing, and her specialty is making hairpin lace.

She leads an active life at Heritage hall participating in numerous activities and social events.

Chicken Barbecue Preparations

What a better way to spend a pleasant, sunny afternoon than watching the men erect the tent in preparation for our Annual Chicken Barbecue. It was interesting to watch the men use their expertise to do a job that most of us would find impossible. They made it look very easy.

After the tent had been set up, everyone enjoyed a treat of ice cream. We also listened to Vera Conway play her magic keyboard, and joined her in a sing-a-long.

Everyone hated to go back indoors as it was such a lovely day, and we all had a good time.

Corn Husking

How long does it take to husk six hundred ears of corn? Long enough for a very pleasant trip down memory lane!

The ladies remembered planning summer evening meals around corn picked from their back-door vegetable patches. They also recalled that canning was a hot, time-consuming job, but worth the effort

come corn chowder time.

The men spoke of harvesting fields of corn on the family farm. Stories were passed on about smoking corn silk and getting sick! There were also stories about homemade corncob pipes!

During story time, the husking gave us years of remembering, but only two hours by the clock. All attending the chicken barbecue enjoyed the eating. The huskers, however, had the best time and are looking forward to the barbecue of 1989.

I Remember

by Angelo "Ted" Melo

"My 45 years as a musician, what wonderful memories! I worked and played with a variety of groups. Eventually I worked in my own group. I basically played the electric guitar.

I can remember the tune I played at the inauguration reception for Mayor Sanderson which took place at the Highland Hotel.

I met a variety of famous musicians in my life as a musician, such as Joe Morello who played for the Brubeck Trio Quartet.

Our group also had a three year contact with Riverside Park years ago. Our band was a "back up" for the Lennon Sister, Sally Field, Richard Dawson, and Jackie Coogan, only to name a few. All these persons mentioned played at Riverside at different times. I played every Sunday of the week for three years.

The last job I remember is playing for a wedding over at Storowton in West Springfield. There are a lot of great memories to remember of the "Ted" Melo Band."

Cooking Up A Storm

Once a month residents of Heritage Hall have the opportunity to use their skills and experience in a cooking and baking group. This month the group tried boxed bread mixes that are so popular today. Banana breads, cranberry breads, and cherry nut breads were the talk of the day.

The residents' class is usually held in the morning and enough is made so that everyone can have a chance to sample the goods. This is always done at an afternoon coffee and social hours.

Cooking day has proved to be a big success with the women residents. Some of our male chefs are joining in as well! Although the breads turned out excellent and everyone really enjoyed them, the group is traditional. We plan to make our next project from scratch! Bon Appetit!



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PHILM REVIEW

by Phil Benoit
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—The Blob: 0 STARS

In this gratuitous remake of the 1958 chiller of the same title, a mysterious lump of living jello crash-lands by way of meteorite in a forest one evening, and then proceeds to consume the residents of a nearby small town and, in the process, become larger and larger with each human morsel that it ingests.

The original version of *The Blob* exemplified the kind of B-quality science fiction-cum-horror films that populated our movie theaters and drive-ins throughout the 1950's. Though it did contain some decent special effects, it was, in essence, a badly-acted and badly-written piece of nonsense that was good for nothing but killing some time on a boring weekend afternoon; as a matter of fact, the only thing that the picture was notable for was that it marked the silver screen debut of the late, well-known actor Steve McQueen.

The new version of *The Blob*, on the same token, is also an example of low-grade filmmaking. Because of today's cinematic wizardry, the slimy effects this time around are, admittedly, more eye-catching and gruesomely gory, but the flick itself is just as shoddy and silly as its unillustrious predecessor.

A good number of movie critics around the country, as well as several people whom I've spoken to, have praised this remake of *The Blob* as a simultaneously funny and scary picture that's a throwback to the corny sci-fi thrillers of three decades ago. Yet, in my opinion, this mess should be thrown back to the Hollywood schlock factory that it was cranked out of, and have all of its celluloid prints burned before it gets a new life on life via videotape.

Good films that spoof bad genres are worthwhile endeavors, such the 1980 farce *Airplane* in regard to disaster movies in general. On the other hand, self-consciously lousy pictures that parody bad genres are just as poor as the targets of their mockery, and to me, this is certainly the case with the latest incarnation of *The Blob*.

However, in all honesty, there was something — or rather, someone — in this turkey whom I did enjoy seeing. Appearing in the brief role of a waitress in a diner, an attractive, fortyish character actress named Candy Clark makes one of her rare screen appearances and shows that she hasn't aged all that much since she portrayed a young blond floozie in *American Graffiti* back in 1973.

In the meantime, unlike this now middle-aged performer, the 30 year-old premise for *The Blob* comes across as moth-eaten and tired, thereby proving that while some people can grow older without looking old, rotten storylines do not get any better as time goes on.

—Clean and Sober: 3 STARS

A harrowing and powerful drama about drug and alcohol abuse in which Michael Keaton portrays a Philadelphia real-estate salesman who gradually realizes that his addiction to booze and cocaine is slowly turning his life at home and at the office into a

shambles, and who eventually joins a detoxification program before this addiction permanently destroys everything for him.

Although its plot occasionally rambles and, thus, is a bit too long for its own good, *Clean and Sober* is still a memorable film which serves as one of the most effective and thought-provoking commentaries on one of our nation's most life-threatening problems.

Under the solid efforts of first-time director Glenn Gordon Caron, the picture chronicles, in a most interesting manner, both the sympathetic yet non-sense methods that a drug rehabilitation center uses in its attempts to treat addicts, and the trials and tribulations which addicts have to face and overcome so that they can again lead normal and narcotic-free lives.

Moreover, *Clean and Sober* presents us with an array of wholly believable characters who come off as flesh-and-blood human beings, and these individuals are rendered with much poignancy and conviction by a cast of very talented performers.

Morgan Freeman (*Street Smart*) is excellent as Keaton's toe-the-line counselor in a detoxification program, as is veteran character actor M. Emmett Walsh (*Back to School*) in the role of a former addict who becomes Keaton's "sponsor" following a scene wherein their characters are at an Alcoholics Anonymous meeting.

And, in the part of a drug-abusing woman with whom Keaton tries to develop a romantic relationship, Kathy Baker (also of the aforementioned *Street Smart*) turns in a first-rate portrayal which is replete with spirited and disturbing emotion.

Keaton himself, however, is *Clean and Sober*'s main source of strength. Though he has exhibited his undeniably formidable skills as a comedian in such lighthearted fare as *Mr. Mom* and *Beetlejuice*, his latest performance clearly demonstrates that he possesses much proficiency when it comes to hard-hitting, dramatic acting.

As this movie's all-too-human, alcohol- and drug-addicted leading character, he commands our attention by initially conveying a sense of seething despair that is barely masked by his attempts at humor; later on, Keaton projects a feeling of a deep-down resolve which leads us to believe that his character does indeed have the strength which is needed to successfully tackle this addiction.

—Tucker: The Man and His Dream: 4 STARS

From director Francis Ford Coppola (*Gardens of Stone*) and executive producer George Lucas (*Willow*), this captivating biographical drama tells the little-known story of Preston Tucker (Jeff Bridges), a maverick automobile maker who, following World War II, came up with the idea of creating a revolutionary car that featured such previously unheard-of items as seat belts, padded dashboards, disc brakes, and fuel injection engines. Unfortunately, the production of the "Tucker," as it came to be called, faced a number of insurmountable obstacles, especially an already-established automobile empire in Detroit that would do anything it could to prevent Tucker from making his plans come true.

Arguably one of the finest films which Coppola and Lucas have done to date, *Tucker: The Man and His Dream* is, on one level, a cinematic feast for the eyes. Besides lovingly and nostalgically recreating the atmosphere of the United States in the late 1940's, its costumes, music, set designs, and photography evoke

the style of the movies which were made in Hollywood during that era.

But, on another and even more important level, this hugely entertaining and informative picture accomplishes two other things at the same time. In addition to being a heartfelt tribute to the indomitable spirit of a man who was brave and bold enough to take on almost-impossible odds, it provides us with a fascinating slice of not-too-long ago American history which scathingly examines the reality that our system of free enterprise is not as "free" as we think and/or would like it to be.

Tucker boasts superb acting from beginning to end. Among the supporting cast, Martin Landau (TV's *Space: 1999*), as Tucker's right-hand man, absolutely shines in what is undoubtedly the best performance of his lengthy career. Meanwhile, fine portrayals are given by Frederic Forrest (*Apocalypse Now*) and the Oriental actor Mako (*Conan the Destroyer*) as two of Tucker's chief design engineers, and veteran actor Lloyd Bridges (Jeff's real-life father) in the part of a corrupt Michigan senator who's been "bought" by the Detroit auto industry.

As the title character, the younger Bridges (*The Morning After*) delivers an unforgettable performance in a plum role which is among the small handful that have been truly worthy of his vast thespian talents during his nearly 20 years in the movies.

He depicts Preston Tucker with much flamboyant charm, cocky self-assurance, and a hotheaded sense of persistence when it comes to getting what he wants, and these vibrantly emotional qualities complement this historical figure's superlative abilities as a master showman when, throughout the course of the picture, he attempts to promote and sell the idea of his "Tucker" to both the world of American business and the general public.

—Young Guns: 1 STAR

A poorly made and unintentionally funny Western dealing with the legendary William H. Bonney (Emilio Estevez), a.k.a. Billy the Kid, and how he and his gang of youthful gunslingers became notorious outlaws following the brutal murder of an English cattle rancher (Terence Stamp) who had employed them to protect his property.

Back in 1985, Clint Eastwood's mediocre *Pale Rider* and the infinitely superior *Silverado* tried to bring the Western back to life at the box-office, but their lukewarm reception made it perfectly clear that the moviegoing public was not waiting with baited breath to see this once-prosperous genre make a rousing return on the silver screen.

Therefore, I think it's safe to say that *Young Guns* will ultimately meet with the same results. And, judging from its generally low quality, it's just possible that it could even set the Western back by a number of years.

Thanks to the slipshod direction of Christopher Cain (*The Principal*), not only is it one of the most choppy edited pictures to have come down the road in a long time, but it also has the misfortune of showcasing some genuinely funny performances that weren't, I presume, supposed to be humorous in the first place.

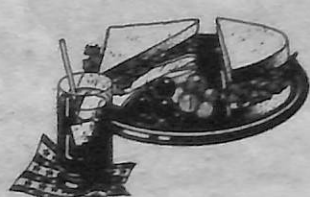
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Victorians Renewed At Valley Museum

The interest and enthusiasm for information about Victorian decoration, architecture, and lifestyles has led to the second series of evening lectures "Valley Victorians Renewed." These series three lectures will begin on Wednesday, September 14th, at 7:00 p.m., at the Connecticut Valley Historical Museum. The following six topics will relate national trends and styles of the Victorian era to life in Springfield.

September 14th: Victorian Interior Design, instructor, John Burrows. Burrows will show the true colors of late 19th-century home interiors with slides of the carpets, wallpapers, and fabrics used in decorating. He draws on the knowledge and expertise of his business, J.R. Burrows and Company Victorian Design Merchants. Burrows and Company specializes in historically authentic carpets, wallpapers, and textiles used in the restoration of historic buildings and interiors.

September 21st: "Painting the Town Victorian: How to Choose Historical Colors," instructor, Dr. Roger W. Moss. New paint can revive an old home's appearance, but if you live in a Victorian home, the color you paint your house can make a difference. Not all Victorian homes were originally white; many were subtle shades of green, tan, and grey, along with rich shades of red, gold, and amber. The details of Victorian homes can be lost when they are all painted white. Moss will discuss how to select and apply historically appropriate paint colors that will enhance the beauty and value of a house. He will also discuss preparing a surface before painting so you can avoid the problems of peeling paint and rust. Moss is the author of *Victorian Exterior Decoration*, and *Victorian Interior Decoration: American Interiors 1830-1900*.

Executive Director of the Athenium in Philadelphia, Moss also teaches in the Historic Preservation Program at the University of Pennsylvania, and is an officer of the Victorian Society of America. In addition, he has lectured and written widely on American architecture and decorative arts. This is the only lecture in the series which may be attended without registering for the entire series. Seats for the lecture may be purchased for \$5.50 for both members and nonmembers on the night of the lecture at the Springfield Museum of Fine Arts Auditorium.

September 28th: "The Insides and Undersides of Victorian Furniture: Popular Styles of 19th-Century Home Furnishings," instructor, Dan Sotak-Cooper. Renaissance revival or Eastlake style are two of the most popular, collectible styles of Victorian furniture today. How do you recognize the larger stylistic differences and smaller distinctions of Victorian furniture at an auction, house sale, or antique shop? Dan Sotak-Cooper will explain these differences using slides of high style Victorian room settings and individual pieces of furniture more commonly used in 19th-century homes.

Sotak-Cooper has been an antique dealer for seven years, a collector of 19th-century American furniture for nine years and currently owns and operates **Antiquaria**, a mail-order Victorian antique business with his wife, Lisa. He is particularly fascinated with the aesthetic movement of the 1870-1880s, and carries his enthusiasm for things Victorian to restoring his late 1800s house in the McKnight Historic District.

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Estevez (*Stakeout*), in the role of Billy the Kid, behaves in a clownish fashion and possesses an infectious way of laughing; and, to show you how amusing he was, on the evening when I saw the film, many people in the audience were howling with laughter whenever he said or did anything on the screen.

Newcomer Dermot Mulroney, as one of Billy's gun-toting cohorts, is also quite droll due to his shameless overacting, as are veteran actors Jack Palance (TV's *Ripley's Believe It or Not*) and Brian Keith (*Death Before Dishonor*) in the parts as a ruthless cattle baron and a crusty bounty hunter, respectively.

On the positive side, however, *Young Guns* does have some good performances. Stamp (*Superman II*) does a more than commendable job as the ill-fated rancher who was the employer of the title characters, and Kiefer Sutherland (*The Lost Boys*), Lou Diamond Phillips (*La Bamba*), and newcomer Casey Siemaszko manage to do the best that they possibly can with their worthless roles as the three major members of Billy's gang.

Actually, the one actor who comes away from this movie the most unscathed is Estevez's real-life brother, Charlie Sheen (*Wall Street*), who plays the fifth member of Billy's band of gunfighters. Because his character gets killed long before the story is over, he is spared from giving a lengthier performance that might have turned out bad, and from being a further part of the continual lousiness that lasts until the very end of the picture.

*THE PHILM GUIDE FOR PARENTS:

- **The Blob:** Rated R for its graphically gory special effects.
- **Clean and Sober:** Rated R for adult themes and situations, profanity, and nudity.
- **Tucker: The Man and His Dream:** Rated PG for some mature language.
- **Young Guns:** Rated R for some strong violence, profanity, and brief nudity.

Historical Colors At Historic Museum

If you live in a Victorian home, the color you paint your house can make a difference. "The preservation movement has encouraged people to ask questions," says Roger Moss, a nationally known expert on Victorian colors. Moss will be presenting a lecture, "Painting the Town Victorian: How to Choose Historical Colors," Wednesday, September 21st, at 7:00 p.m., sponsored by the Connecticut Valley Historical Museum. The lecture will take place in the auditorium of the Museum of Fine Arts.

Moss will discuss how to select and apply historically appropriate paint colors that will enhance the beauty and value of a house. He added, "The color movement is a reaction to houses themselves; they just didn't look right painted white." Moss and his wife Gail Caskey Winkler wrote the book, *Victorian Exterior Decoration* as an answer to all the people who ask, "What did people in the Victorian era actually use?"

Moss is the Executive Director of the Athenium of Philadelphia, an independent research library founded in 1814 which specializes in Victorian architecture and decoration. He is an officer of the Victorian Society in

America, a former director of several historic houses, and an adjunct professor in the Historic Preservation Program at the University of Pennsylvania. His books include *Century of Color* (1981), and with his wife Gail Winkler, *Victorian Interior Decoration* (1986), and *Victorian Exterior Decoration* (1987).

Dr. Moss has served as a consultant for several city historic district commissions that have developed guidelines for historic color use, and he assisted two national paint manufacturers in developing lines of historical paint colors.

The lecture by Roger Moss is open to the public at \$5.50 per person. Please call the Connecticut Valley Historical Museum, 732-3080, for more information.

The Connecticut Valley Historical Museum is supported in part by grants from the Springfield Arts Lottery Council, the Massachusetts Council on the Arts and Humanities, and the Institute of Museum Services.

The historical museum is located on the Quadrangle, at the corner of State and Chestnut Streets in downtown Springfield, and is a unit of the Springfield Library and Museums Association.



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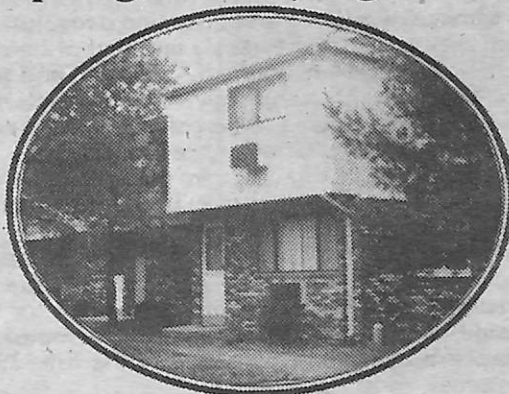
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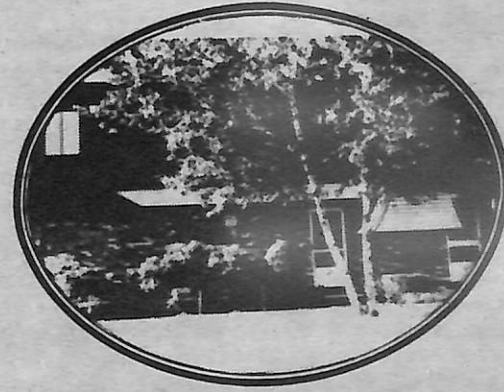
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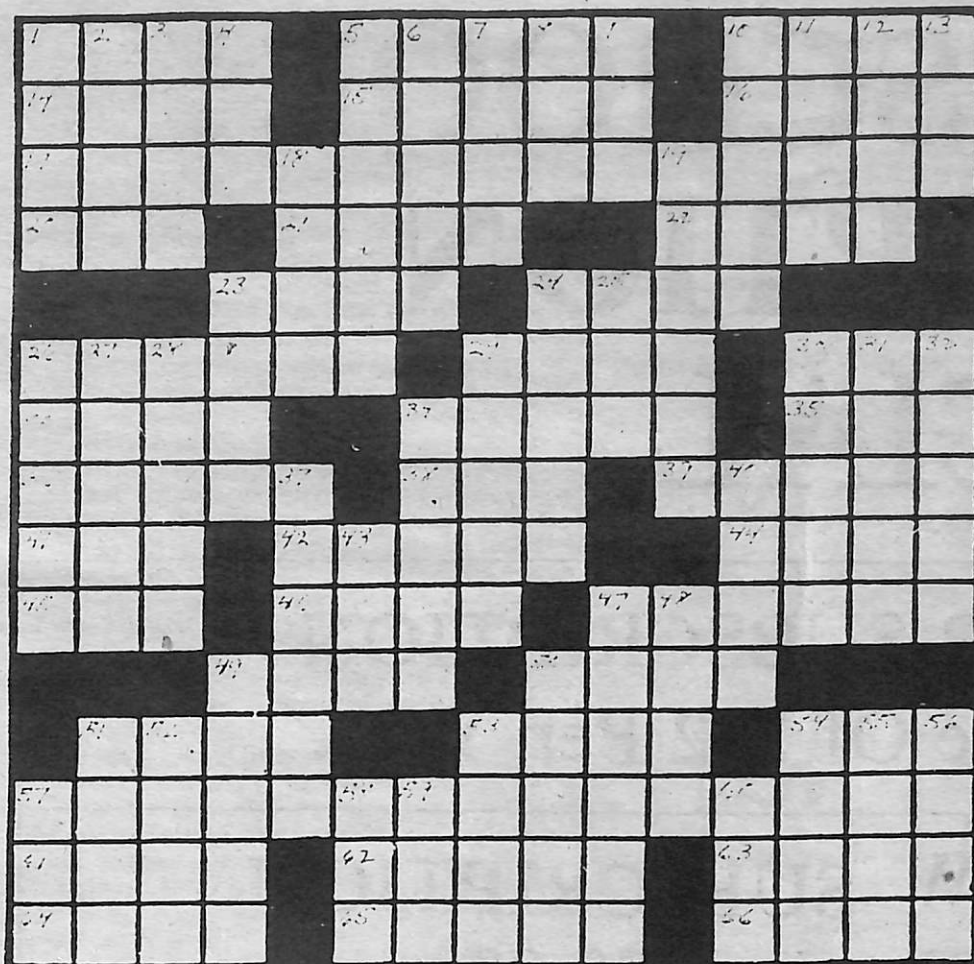
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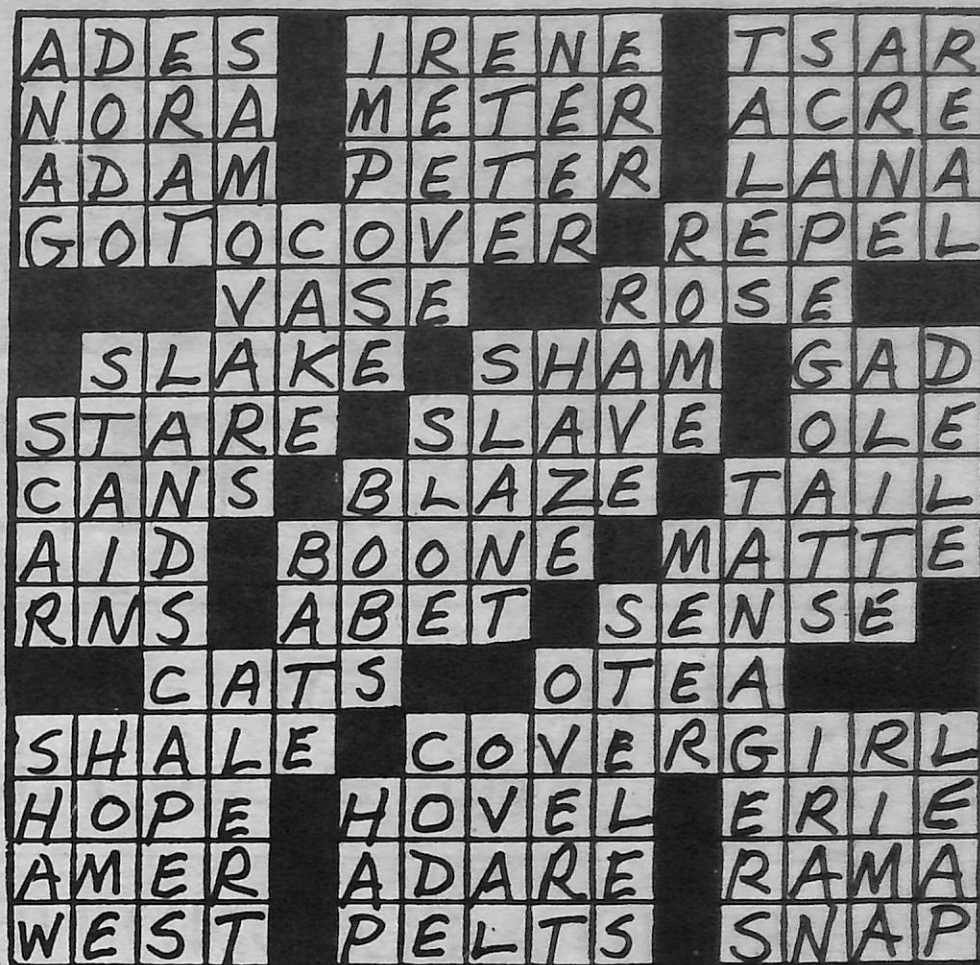
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Sandra Beech To Appear At The Big E

"I really do believe God has given me a special gift...a gift to entertain children," says the Irish born, now true blue Canadian Sandra Beech.

Ms. Beech, who has a talent for entertaining and teaching her audience at the same time, will perform her songs and stories daily, September 14th-25th, at the Big E in West Springfield. She will appear at the Storowton Gazebo at 11:00 a.m., 1:30, 3:00, and 5:00 p.m.

The singer says she likes to perform at fairs because of the wide range of audiences she attracts. "At a fair, I get to entertain the whole family and the songs I do are very much family songs. They're the type you sing when you go camping or in the family car or on a school bus trip," explains Ms. Beech.

Ms. Beech began her singing career in Ireland when she was only four years-old. She moved with her family to Canada when she was 11. As she grew up her brothers, Will and George, now the world renowned Irish Rovers, often accompanied her in performance.

Her first big break as a solo performer in Canada came when she performed the "Block Parent Song." She then joined an Ontario school touring program, which enabled her to teach her songs to children all

over the province.

Ms. Beech's brother, Will, suggested to Sandra's husband, Len, that instead of investing big money in stocks and bonds, he should invest in his wife, as she could produce a children's album. The next thing she knew, the money was in the bank and her first album, "Chickery Chick" was in the works.

Her second album, "Inch by Inch," won a Canadian Juno award for best children's album.

Next came "Sunshine Songs," then "Sidewalk Shuffle." Ms. Beech has a video out, as well, and her music is featured in a song-and-book package, called "Songs About Animals and Others." She is hard at work completing her fifth children's album and is the subject of a recently published "Sandra Beech Coloring Book."

The multi-talented entertainer has performed across Canada and in the British Isles. Ms. Beech has also made numerous television appearances.

She is accompanied in performance by her own musicians and by her special friend Chickery Chick and "Wee" Leprechaun.

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The Marshall Tucker Band To Appear At Riverside

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The concert begins at 8:00 p.m., in the Riverside Park Stadium, Friday, September 2nd. Admission to New England's largest amusement park includes the concert by The Marshall Tucker Band. Discounted admission is available after 5 p.m.

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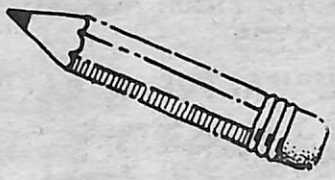
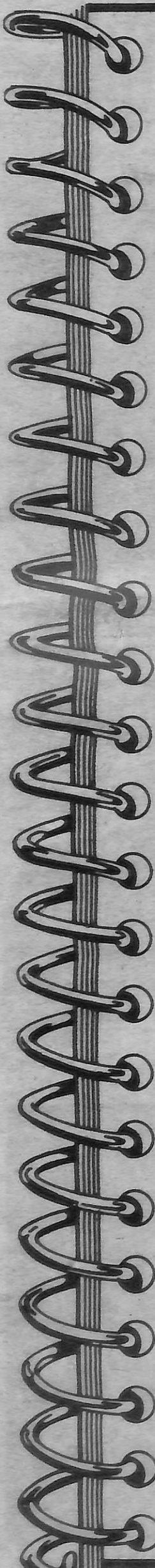
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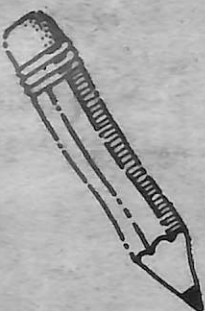
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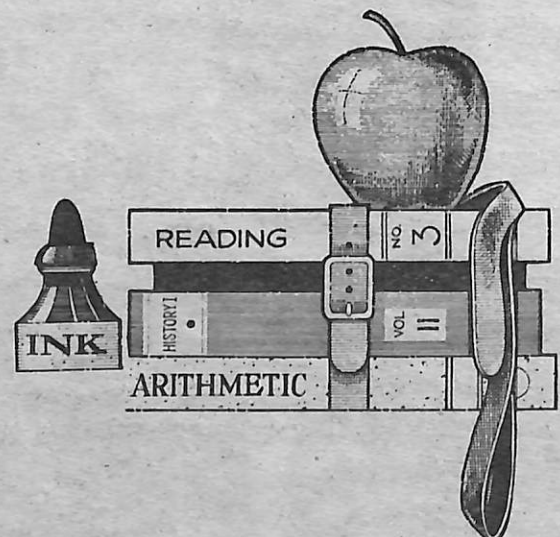


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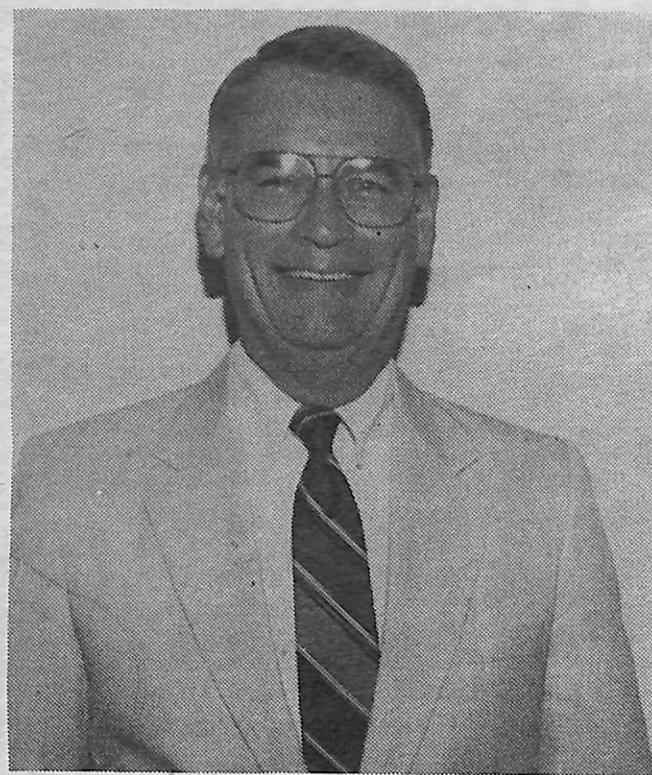
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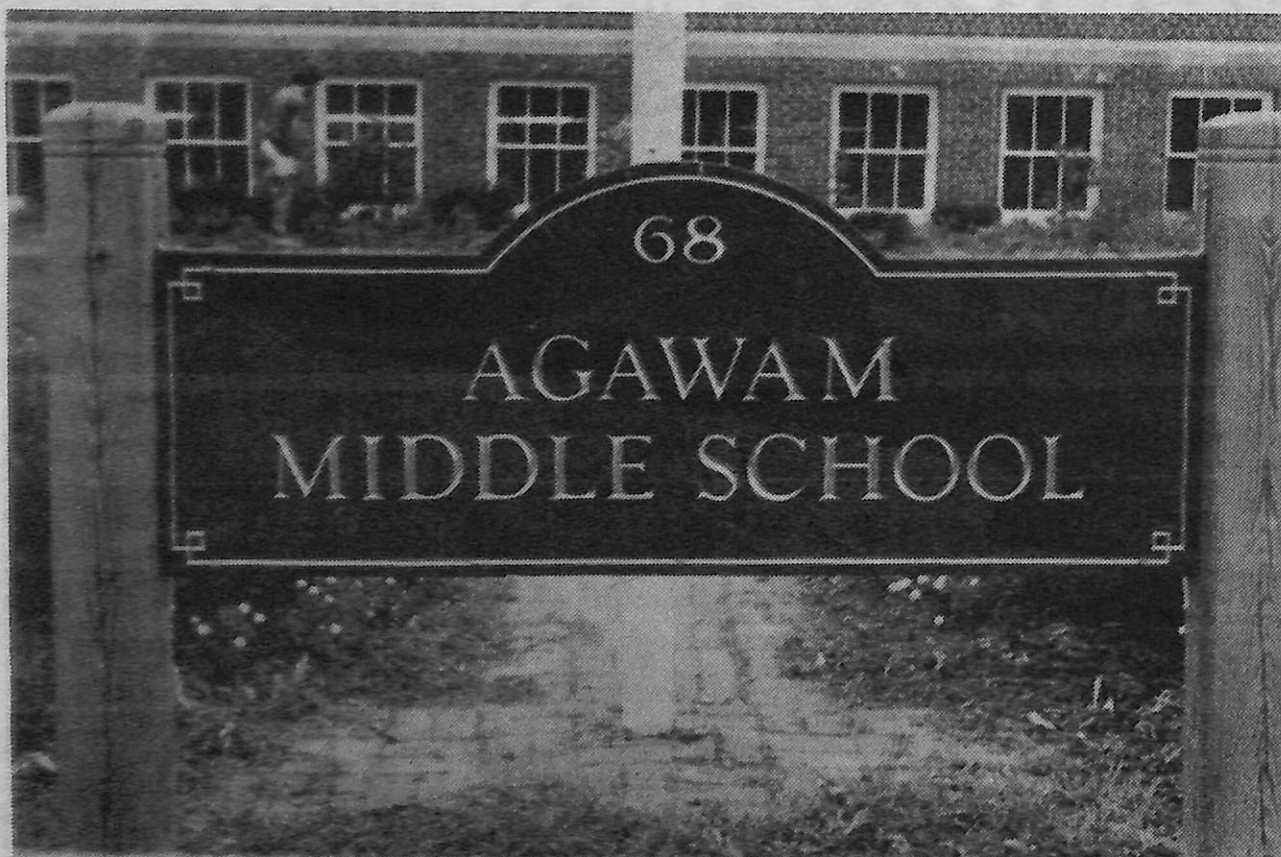
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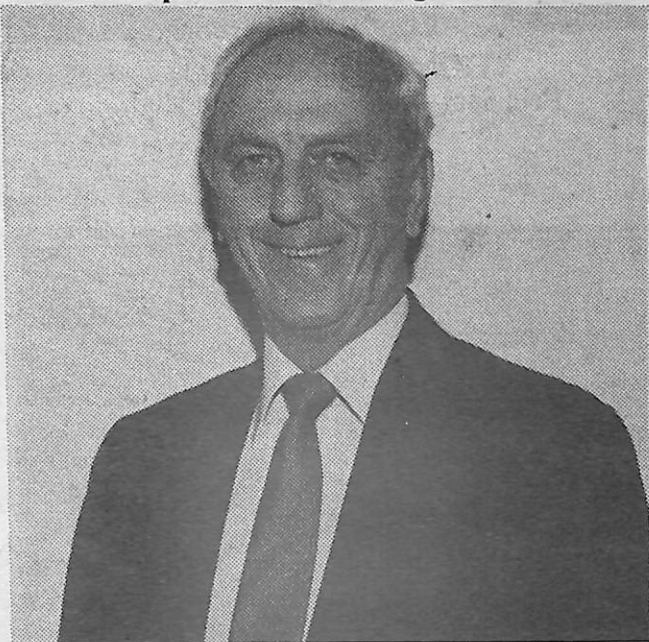
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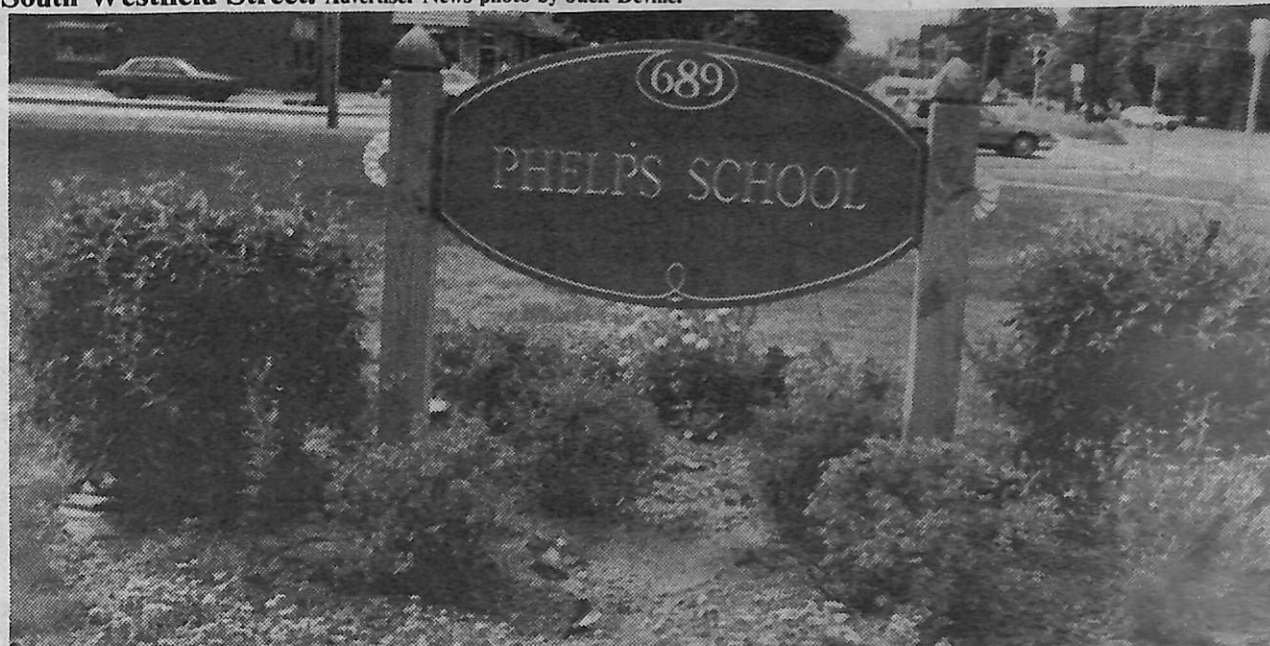
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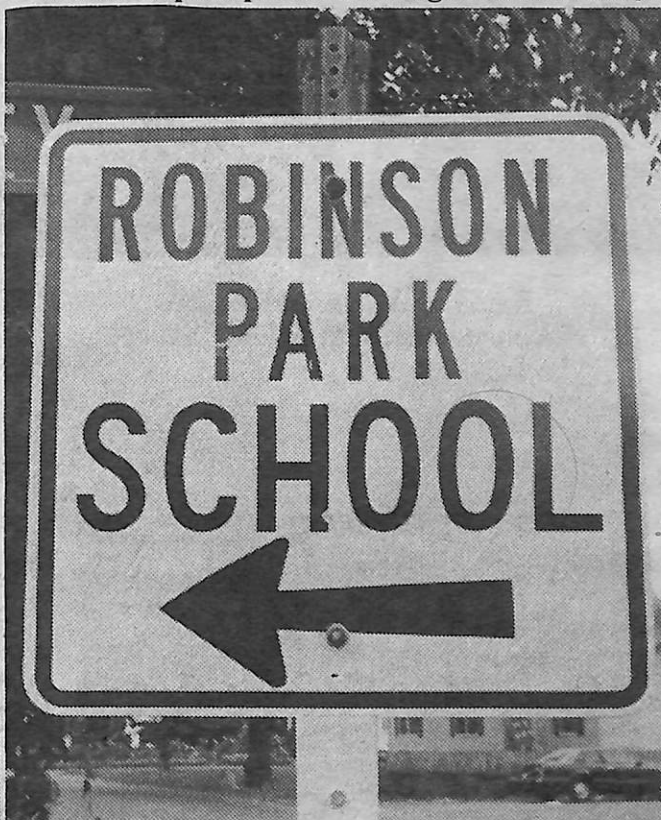
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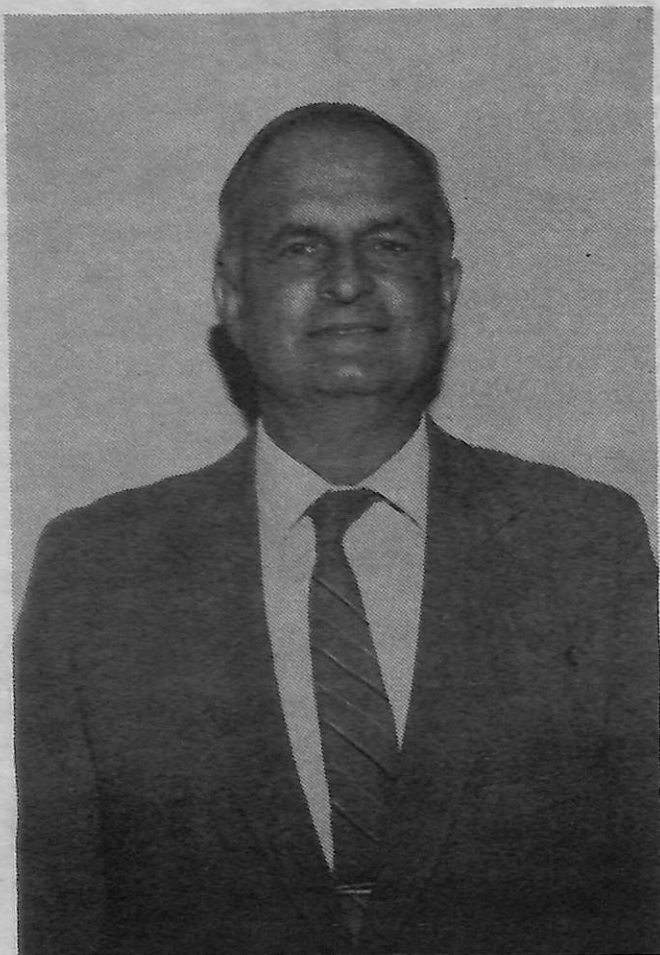
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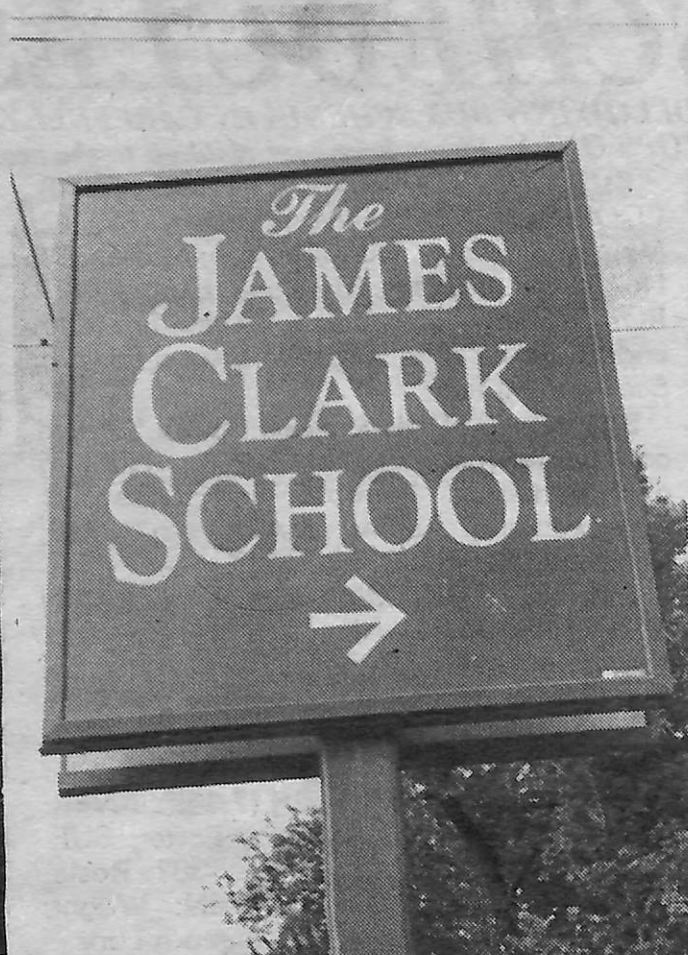
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Principal - James Clark School



JAMES CLARK ELEMENTARY SCHOOL is located at 31 South Street, Agawam. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.



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Executive Secretary - Front Office

SCHOOL'S OPEN September 7th
Please note that dismissal times at ALL SCHOOLS have changed

SCHOOL HOURS 1988 - 1989

7:35 a.m. - 1:45 p.m.

Agawam High School

8:05 a.m. - 2:15 p.m.

Agawam Junior High School

8:35 a.m. - 2:45 p.m.

Agawam Middle School

Clifford M. Granger School

9:10 a.m. - 3:20 p.m.

James Clark School

Benjamin J. Phelps School

Robinson Park School



Note the change is dismissal times in ALL schools.

SCHOOL BUS SCHEDULES

PLEASE READ THE FOLLOWING BUS SCHEDULES CAREFULLY! THE SCHEDULES ARE WRITTEN FOR BUS STOPS ONLY. Please have your child go to the nearest stop.

Agawam High

BUS NO. 20 HIGH SCHOOL (7:10): Harvey Johnson and Main; MEADOW: No. 31, No. 272, No. 380, Kirkland, Ellison Ave.; No. 8 & So. Alhambra (both ends); COREY: No. 196, Corey Colonial Apts.; Albert & Wyman; Parker and Main; Beekman Apts.

BUS NO. 11 HIGH SCHOOL (7:05): SILVER ST.: Doane, No. 845; SOUTH: Oxford, So. Brook Lane, No. 56; MAIN STREET: No. 1520, No. 1720, Kanawha, SUFFIELD ST.: No. 1639, Suffield Commons, Edgewater, Valentine, Center.

BUS NO. 4 HIGH SCHOOL (7:05): SOUTHWICK ST.: Sunset, Charter Oak; NORTH WEST: No. 44, No. 131, Karen Lynn Cir., No. 244, Cor. North Street Ext., No. 736, No. 986, Peterson Circle; No. West and No. Westfield; NO. WESTFIELD: Marlene, Parkedge, No. 819, No. 755, Provin Mt. Dr.

BUS NO. 3 HIGH SCHOOL (7:05): Granger and Northwood; Yale and Cambridge; SO. WESTFIELD: Hamar, Hendon, No. 371, No. 430, Bradford Dr.; Barry and So. Westfield; BARRY: No. 20, No. 258, Pine; PINE ST.: No. 442, No. 162.

BUS NO. 12 HIGH SCHOOL (7:10): SCHOOL ST.: Monroe, No. 146, No. 213, Plantation Apts., River Road; RIVER ROAD: Simpson, Merrell, Glendale; LEONARD: Debra, No. 165; MILL: Silver Lake, No. 185, No. 224.

BUS NO. 10 HIGH SCHOOL (7:10): NORTH: Tom, Ridgeway, No. 534, Colmore, Barberry, James, Oak Lane, Maynard; Coronet and Maynard.

BUS NO. 15 HIGH SCHOOL (7:05): POPLAR: Garden, No. 348; SHOEMAKER LANE: No. 1020; SOUTHWICK ST.: No. 371, No. 476, No. 487, No. 550, No. 650; SO. WEST: Pheasant Hill, No. 157, No. 276, No. 483, Red Fox, White Fox, No. 620, Kathy, Barry; BARRY: No. 597, No. 359, Oakridge.

BUS NO. 18 HIGH SCHOOL (7:10): NO. WESTFIELD: Kellogg, Liswell, North St. Ext., Cor. Thalia and Parkview; Robin Ridge and Parkview; Oriole and Robin Ridge; NO. WESTFIELD: Fox Farms, Clover Hill.

BUS NO. 17 HIGH SCHOOL (7:15): RIVER ROAD: Channell, Florida, Chestnut, Lawnwood, Shady Lane, Deering, Riviera; River and Main; MAIN STREET: Alfred, Baily.

BUS NO. 5 HIGH SCHOOL (7:10): Rowley and Springfield; MAPLE: Spencer, Mulberry; High and Moore; WALNUT: High, Dwight; MAIN STREET: Reed, Federal; Cooper and Federal.

BUS NO. 7 HIGH SCHOOL (7:10): GARDEN: Memorial; SILVER: Franklin Street Ext., Mt. View, Malone's Farm, Porter Drive, Belden Ct.; SUFFIELD: Centerwood, No. 1025; SHOEMAKER: No. 171, No. 251, No. 373, Losito, No. 619, No. 657.

BUS NO. 9 HIGH SCHOOL (7:05): Suffield and Edgewater; Clematis and Mill; ELM: Perry Lane, Birch Hill, Main; Main and Emerson; ADAMS: Pineview, Rosie, Faymore.

BUS NO. 17 JUNIOR HIGH (7:30): COOPER: No. 347, Federal St. Ext., No. 47; Main and Harvey Johnson Drive; MEADOW: No. 16, No. 162, No. 312, John, Hunt; RIVER ROAD: Sterling, No. and So. Alhambra (both ends); COREY: No. 288; Wyman and Edward; Beekman Apts.

BUS NO. 6 JUNIOR HIGH (7:30): Suffield and Centerwood; Conifer No. 7; Hunting and Butternut; Primrose and Fernwood; Faymore and Adams; MAIN: No. 1710, Kanawha; SUFFIELD: No. 1639.

BUS NO. 3 JUNIOR HIGH (7:35): MAIN STREET: Melrose, Alfred, No. 1278, No. 1380, No. 1496; SOUTH STREET: No. 56, No. 204, So. Brook Lane, Cosgrove, No. 320; Shoemaker Lane; No. 182, No. 251, No. 287, No. 373, Losito Lane.

BUS NO. 2 JUNIOR HIGH (7:30): SILVER: Franklin Street Ext., Vadnais, Porter; SUFFIELD: No. 1091; ADAMS: No. 387, Rosie, Pineview, Ridge Avenue; MAIN: Wright; LEONARD: No. 308, No. 252, Debra Lane.

BUS NO. 4 JUNIOR HIGH (7:40): MILL: No. 219, Silver Lake; Suffield and Washington; FEDERAL: No. 49; COOPER: Greenacre, Brien, Willowbrook.

BUS NO. 5 JUNIOR HIGH (7:35): OLD MILL ROAD: No. 16; MAIN STREET: Parker, Raymond Circle; ELM: No. 95, Birch Hill, SILVER: Castle Hills; SUFFIELD: Edgewater, No. 685, Poinsetta, Anthony; MILL: No. 563.

BUS NO. 18 JUNIOR HIGH (7:35): Rowley and Randall; Columbus and Springfield; WALNUT: Dwight, Ottawa; Bridge and High; Cooley and Moore; Maple and Oak Hill Avenue; Chapin and Springfield.

BUS NO. 8 JUNIOR HIGH (7:30): COLMORE: Horsham, North, NORTH: Ridgeway; Robin Ridge and Oriole; Parkview and Robin Ridge; Parkview and Thalia.

BUS NO. 10 JUNIOR HIGH (7:40): Fox Farms and Strawberry Hill; Strawberry and Valleybrook; Valleybrook and Forest Hill; Briar and Clover Hill.

BUS NO. 15 JUNIOR HIGH (7:30): NO. WEST: No. 51, Karen Lynn Circle, North Street Ext., No. 634, No. 812, No. 986, Peterson Circle, Cor. of North Westfield; NORTH WESTFIELD: Marlene, Parkedge, No. 819, Provin Mt. Drive, No. 663.

BUS NO. 7 JUNIOR HIGH (7:35): SO. WESTFIELD: No. 430, Bradford Dr., No. 953; BARRY ST.: No. 183, No. 215, Oak Ridge Drive, No. 461, Cor. of South West; SOUTH WEST: White Fox, Red Fox, Carmel Lane.

BUS NO. 9 JUNIOR HIGH (7:30): SOUTHWICK: No. 610, No. 550, No. 460; SOUTH WEST: No. 165, No. 268, No. 604, Kathy; Joanne and Barbara; Sharon and Barry; PINE: No. 371, No. 162.

BUS NO. 12 JUNIOR HIGH (7:35): Line and Mill; Pierce and Line; Springfield and Hall; POPLAR: Depalma, Garden; GARDEN: Memorial, No. 204, No. 257; SILVER: Doane, No. 793, No. 845; SHOEMAKER: No. 625, No. 887, Poplar.

BUS NO. 20 JUNIOR HIGH (7:40): SPRINGFIELD ST.: Norman Terrace, Sherry Lane; Coronet and Maynard; North and Maynard; NORTH: Liberty, James, Cherry.

Parkedge, Ridgeview, No. 549; Strawberry and Clover Hill; Strawberry and Valleybrook; CLOVER HILL: No. 63; NORTH STREET: James, Harding, No. 81.

BUS NO. 11 MIDDLE (8:05): SOUTHWICK ST.: Sunset Terrace, No. 216, Tina Lane, No. 632; NO. WEST: Karen Lynn Circle, No. 274, No. 350; NORTH ST. EXT.: Stony Hill, No. 1080, Belmont; ROBIN RIDGE: Pleasant Valley, Parkview; Thalia and Parkview.

BUS NO. 17 MIDDLE (8:05): SO. WEST: Shelley, Carmel Lane, Pheasant Hill, No. 170, No. 276, Red Fox, White Fox, Kathy Terrace; BARBARA: Joanne, No. 35, Barry and So. West, BARRY: No. 424.

BUS NO. 4 MIDDLE (8:00): SO. WESTFIELD: No. 63; Hendon, Bradford; BARRY: No. 166, No. 205, Pine; PINE: No. 150; SHOEMAKER LANE: No. 1020, No. 887; SILVER: No. 777; SHOEMAKER: No. 287; SOUTH ST: No. 375, Oxford, No. 117; Main and Woodcliff.

BUS NO. 12 MIDDLE (8:10): SPRINGFIELD ST.: No. 1279 (A.M. only); Mill and Highland; SPRINGFIELD STREET: Greenock, Brookline, Northwood; NORTHWOOD: Granger, Fordham; Cambridge and YALE; NORTH: Tom, Wilbert, Sylvan.

BUS NO. 20 MIDDLE (8:00): SPRINGFIELD ST: Kensington, Franklin; COLEMORE: Park, Cherry; NORTH ST.: Cherry, Oak Lane; Springfield Street, Day, Mooreland; Mill and Line; Old Mill and Mill; COOPER: Tracy Drive.

BUS NO. 15 MIDDLE (8:00): POPLAR: No. 309, Garden; GARDEN: Memorial, No. 223; SILVER: Mt. View, Belden Ct.; Fernwood and Conifer; Conifer No. 7; BUTTERNUT: Hunting, Arbor; Pineview and Cottonwood; ADAMS: No. 130, Rosie, Faymore; SUFFIELD: No. 1091, No. 1010, Edgewater, Anthony, No. 321.

BUS NO. 5 MIDDLE (8:00): MILL STREET: No. 198, No. 111; Silver and Perry Lane; ELM: Birch Hill, No. 41; SCHOOL STREET: No. 135, No. 275; RIVER ROAD: Meadowbrook, Glendale, Campbell, Chestnut, Lawnwood, Dartmouth, Riviera; MAIN STREET: Barden, Charles, Melrose, Wright.

BUS NO. 18 MIDDLE (7:55): Cooper and Federal Ave.; MAIN STREET: No. 420; MEADOW STREET: Meadow Ave., No. 418, John; RIVER ROAD: Barney; No. 8 & So. Alhambra (both ends); COREY: No. 288, Corey Colonial; MAIN: Edward, Lealand, Central, LEONARD: No. 22, Debra Lane, Danny Lane.

Granger School

BUS NO. 8 GRANGER (8:05): SPRINGFIELD STREET: No. 978, No. 1023; COLMORE: Horsham, Witheridge, Bessbrook, Agnoli; Shoemaker Lane and Poplar; SO. WESTFIELD: No. 657, Bradford Drive, No. 922, No. 953; BARRY ST.: No. 146, No. 166, No. 186, No. 208, No. 238; PINE ST.: No. 452, No. 432, No. 384, No. 230, No. 150.

BUS NO. 10 GRANGER (8:10): NORTH WEST: No. 351, No. 278, No. 252, No. 236, No. 226, No. 210, Karen Lynn Cir., No. 156; SOUTHWICK STREET: No. 358, No. 408, No. 468, No. 592, No. 632, No. 411; CARMEL LANE: No. 29, So. West and Shelley Lane.

BUS NO. 6 GRANGER (8:10): BARRY ST.: Oak Ridge Drive, Christopher Lane, No. 349, No. 424, No. 461, No. 528, No. 590, No. 676, No. 728; BARBARA LN.: No. 86, Joanne Circle; So. West and Kathy Terrace.

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Jr. High School

BUS NO. 11 JUNIOR HIGH (7:30): SCHOOL ST.: Willard, Plantation, River Road; RIVER ROAD: Simpson, Clifton, Glendale, Warren, Channell, Florida, Chestnut, Lawnwood, Dover, Deering, Riviera.

Middle School

BUS NO. 2 MIDDLE (8:00): NORTH WESTFIELD: Blacksmith, Liswell; NORTH WEST: No. 481, No. 634, Peterson; NORTH WESTFIELD: No. 1213, No. 1117, Marlene,

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BUS NO. 9 GRANGER (8:10): SO. WEST: No. 798, Denise, No. 853, No. 841, No. 667 White Fox, Red Fox, No. 284, No. 170.

Phelps School

BUS NO. 5 PHELPS (8:40): REED: Main, Vernon, Virginia; Washington & Suffield; SUFFIELD: No. 156; COOPER: BRIEN, Wrenwood, Karen Drive, Tracy; COUNTRY: Greenacre, Barn; SUFFIELD: No. 321, Mansion Wood, No. 590, No. 616; No. 59 Mill, Birch Hill and Elm.

BUS NO. 20 PHELPS (8:40): SILVER ST.: Castle Hill, No. 127; PERRY LANE: No. 99; Althea and Clematis; Anthony & Samuel; Suffield and Center; COOPER: Cor. Suffield, No. 369, Belle, Senator, Fairview, No. 73, Federal Ave.; MAIN ST.: No. 420, Harvey Johnson.

BUS NO. 6 PHELPS (8:35): MEADOW ST.: No. 21, No. 43, No. 297, No. 324, James Ave., No. 418, Editha; RIVER RD.: Sterling, Barney, No. 8 So. Alhambra (both ends); COREY: No. 206, Janelle Estates.

BUS NO. 18 PHELPS (8:45): SCHOOL: No. 135, No. 248, Plantation, No. 333; RIVER ROAD: Simpson, Meadowbrook, Merrell, Glendale, Warren; LEONARD ST.: Danny, Roberta, Peros, No. 190, No. 147, No. 22.

Clark School

BUS NO. 9 CLARK (8:35): MILL ST.: No. 558, No. 661, No. 731, No. 767; POPLAR: No. 63; SPRINGFIELD ST.: Rhodes, Norris, Kensington, OLD MILL ROAD: No. 16, MILL ST.: No. 198, No. 111; SUFFIELD ST.: Edgewater, No. 794, No. 987, No. 1010, No. 1039, No. 1091, No. 1317, No. 1341; SOUTH ST.: No. 365, No. 340.

BUS NO. 15 CLARK (8:40): RIVER RD.: Riviera, Deering, Dartmouth, Danny, Channel, Florida, Chestnut, Lawnwood; Shady Lane, No. 29; SOUTH ST.: No. 117, No. 155, No. 175, No. 215, South Brook, No. 251.

BUS NO. 10 CLARK (8:40): SUFFIELD: No. 1629, No. 1639; MAIN: Kanawha, No. 1710, No. 1327, No. 1278, Barden, Charles, Melrose; ADAMS: No. 83, No. 146, Pineview, No. 161, No. 205; Rosie and Mallard; No. 170 Mallard.

BUS NO. 8 CLARK (8:40): DePalma & Poplar; GARDEN: Gary, No. 204, No. 223, Memorial; POPLAR: No. 328, No. 347; SHOEMAKER: Cesan, No. 887, No. 619, No. 563, Losito, No. 187, No. 101; ADAMS: No. 362, No. 325; Butternut and Arbor; Fernwood and Faymore.

BUS NO. 4 CLARK (8:40): Fernwood and Hunting; Butternut and Butterwood; Conifer and Fernwood; Centerwood and Suffield; SILVER ST.: Porter, No. 282, Mountainview, Franklin Ext., Doane, No. 727, No. 793.

Robinson Park

BUS NO. 2 ROBINSON (8:30): NORTH ST. EXT.: Belmont, No. 950, No. 999, No. 1085, No. 1132, Stony Hill Road, No. 1224; NO. WEST: No. 466, No. 481, No. 594, No. 805, Peterson Circle; NO. WESTFIELD: No. 1267, No. 1117, No. 1015, Marlene Drive, Parkedge Dr., No. 791.

BUS NO. 17 ROBINSON (8:40): NORTH: No. 491, No. 536, Pleasant Drive; Pleasant Valley and Robin Ridge; Pleasant Valley and High Meadow; Robin Ridge and Parkview; Parkview and Thalia; NO. WESTFIELD: No. 421, No. 359; NORTH STREET: No. 863; WILBERT: No. 39; Audubon and Ridgeway.

BUS NO. 11 ROBINSON (8:35): Squire Ln (half way down street); NO. WESTFIELD: No.

585, Allison Lane, Strawberry and Fieldstone; Valleybrook and Forest Hill; Forest Hill and Strawberry Hill; CLOVER HILL: No. 137, No. 63; NORTH STREET: Cherry.

BUS NO. 7 ROBINSON (8:40): COLEMORE: Park, No. 206; NORTH: Homer, Letendre, James, Oak Lane, Cleveland, Liberty, Taft, Harding, Maynard, No. 81, No. 49.

BUS NO. 12 ROBINSON (8:45): SPRINGFIELD ST.: Norman Ter., Letendre, Hall, Franklin; FRANKLIN: No. 114, No. 151, Mill; LINE: No. 133, Sequoia, Fenton; Pierce, and Mooreland, Chapin, Day.



Robinson Park Kindergarten

BUS NO. 9 AM DROP (11:40): Moore and Cooley; High and Bridge; Spring and High; Maple and Walnut; NORTH: No. 81; MAYNARD: No. 207, No. 248; JAMES: No. 61; NORTH: Oak, Taft, Harding; SPRINGFIELD: Day, Norman, Letendre, Mooreland; Pierce and Line; LINE: No. 120; FRANKLIN: No. 151, Springfield; COLEMORE: No. 206; NORTH: Cherry, Homer; Ridgeway and Audubon.

BUS NO. 9 PM PICK-UP (12:00): Audubon and Wilbert; North and Pleasant Drive; NORTH STREET EXT.: Belmont, No. 952, No. 999, No. 1085, Stony Hill, No. 1132; NO. WEST STREET: No. 466, No. 805; NORTH WESTFIELD STREET: No. 1015, Parkedge, Allison Lane; ROBIN RIDGE: Pleasant Valley, Parkview; Thalia and Parkview; Strawberry and Forest Hill; Valleybrook and Forest Hill; Fieldstone and Strawberry Hill; North Westfield No. 359.

Clark Kindergarten

BUS NO. 10 AM DROP (11:40): SOUTH: No. 347; SHOEMAKER: No. 101, Losito, No. 563, Cesan; POPLAR: No. 328; SPRINGFIELD: Rhodes, Kensington; GARDEN: Orlando; SILVER: Franklin Extension; Mountainview, Porter, No. 252; ADAMS: No. 387, No. 335; FERNWOOD: Arbor, Hunting, Conifer; Butterwood and Butternut; Rosie and Adams.

BUS NO. 10 PM PICK-UP (12:15): ADAMS: No. 205, Pineview, No. 161; MAIN: Alfred, No. 1278; RIVER RD.: Riviera, Deering, Channel, Florida, Lawnwood, No. 29; SOUTH ST.: No. 175, No. 215.

Phelps Kindergarten

BUS NO. 7 AM DROP (11:40): Plantation and School; RIVER ROAD: Simpson, Meadowbrook, Clifton, Glendale, Warren; LEONARD: Danny, Debra, No. 241.

BUS NO. 7 PM PICK-UP (12:00): SILVER: Perry Lane, Castle Hill; Mill and Clematis, Clematis and Poinsetta; Anthony and Samuel, Country and Barn; COOPER STREET: Karen Drive, No. 525; SUFFIELD STREET: No. 156; REED: Virginia, Vernon; COOPER STREET: Federal Hill, Fairview, Federal Avenue; No. 420 Main; MEADOW: No. 21, No. 324, Kirkland, No. 418, RIVER ROAD: No. 1159, COREY STREET: Janelle Estates.

Granger Kindergarten

BUS NO. 11 AM DROP (11:00): SOUTHWICK: Hope Farms, Sunset; Blacksmith and No. Westfield; North and Elizabeth; No. Westfield and Liswell; Yale and Cambridge; Fordham and Northwood; Vassar and Princeton; Granger and Northwood; COLEMORE: Horsham, Agnoli; SPRINGFIELD STREET: Belvedere; No. 1214.

BUS NO. 11 PM PICK-UP (11:30): SO. WESTFIELD: No. 152, Hendon, Bradford; BARRY: No. 238, Pine, Oak Ridge, No. 349, No. 424, No. 471, No. 587; Denise and So. West; BARRY: No. 728; Barbara and Joanne; SO. WEST: No. 667, White Fox, Red Fox, Pheasant Hill, Shelley; Charter Oak and Southwick; Michael and Charter Oak; SOUTHWICK: No. 592, Carmel Lane; NO. WEST: No. 178, No. 226.

LATE RUNS

Late Runs Will Begin Approximately
One Hour After The Dismissal Of
School, Beginning September 12th.

Agawam High

**BUS NO. 3 SENIOR HIGH LATE RUN
MONDAY THROUGH THURSDAY:** Springfield (no stops before Northwood); No. Westfield; No. West; So. West; Barry; So. Westfield.

**BUS NO. 7 SENIOR HIGH LATE RUN
MONDAY THROUGH THURSDAY:** Mill; Suffield; South; Main; River Road; Leonard; Main, Walnut, Maple.

Junior High

**BUS NO. 3 JUNIOR HIGH LATE RUN
MONDAY THROUGH THURSDAY:** Springfield Street (no stops before Portland); Maple; Walnut; Main; Meadow; River Road; Leonard; left onto Main (to state line if necessary); South; right onto Suffield; Silver; Garden.

**BUS NO. 7 JUNIOR HIGH LATE RUN
MONDAY THROUGH THURSDAY:** North Westfield (no stops before North); North West St.; South West Street; Barry; South Westfield; Shoemaker; Silver; Suffield; Cooper; Mill.

Middle School

**BUS NO. 2 MIDDLE LATE RUN MONDAY
THROUGH THURSDAY:** Springfield Street (no stops before Cleveland); No. Westfield; North West; So. West; Barry; So. Westfield; Shoemaker left on Poplar.

**BUS NO. 6 MIDDLE LATE RUN MONDAY
THROUGH THURSDAY:** Main Street; Meadow; River Road; Leonard; Main (to state line if necessary); South; Shoemaker; Silver; Suffield; Mill.

Bus Safety Rules Strictly Enforced By School Dept.

In order to insure the safe transportation of all children to and from school, the Agawam School Committee has adopted School Bus Rules. Because of the extremely serious nature of safety hazards involving vehicles seating well over fifty children, this policy will be strictly enforced.

If any child loses bus privileges, it will be the responsibility of the parents to get the child both to and from school.

The majority of our children behave courteously and well, helping to insure the safety of all. Actions of a small minority cannot be allowed to imperil lives. School Bus Rules are required in order to insure the safety of all students. They will be rigidly enforced because of potential hazard to all riders.

The penalties for violation of bus rules shall be warning, initially. A second offense shall result in a loss of riding privileges for a period of at least five school days. Any further problems will result in loss of transportation a minimum of one month.

Serious breaches of discipline such as fighting, abuse of the bus driver or other passengers, damage to the bus, or any other action constituting a threat to safety, will result in immediate loss of riding privileges rather than a warning.

SCHOOL BUS RULES

1. Wait for bus at designated bus stop. Buses will stop only at authorized stops. Remain orderly and away from street until bus arrives. Pupils are not to play in road, trespass on private property, or engage in behavior that could be dangerous to those at the bus stop.

2. If you must cross a highway to board the bus or to get back to your bus stop, wait until the bus driver signals that all is clear and that you may proceed to cross the highway. Always cross in front of the bus.

3. Wait until the bus comes to a complete stop before boarding. Do not crowd toward the street and bus.

4. Enter the bus quietly and in an orderly manner. Proceed directly to a seat.

5. The driver has been instructed not to wait for you. Be on time.

6. Remain in your seat while the bus is moving. Pupils are not to change seats while the bus is in motion. Conditions may require specific seating arrangements. These arrangements are to be made by the driver and/or principal only.

7. Leave and enter only at front entrance door except in cases of emergency. Emergency Exit Drills will be conducted during the school year to acquaint children with methods of exit in emergencies.

8. Talking in a conversational voice and tone is permissible. Shouting or excessive loud talking is prohibited.

9. Undesirable remarks directed to the driver or other students and stirring up adverse behavior are not allowed.

10. Horseplay is not permitted. Students are not to yell, motion, or discharge any objects that will distract or prove offensive to the driver or other motorists and/or pedestrians. Throwing of objects or articles is forbidden.

11. EATING (including beverages) and SMOKING are NOT PERMITTED on school buses.

12. Packages other than school materials will not be transported at any time.

13. Pupils are to remain seated at discharge points until the school bus has come to a complete stop. Leave quickly and orderly, one at a time.

14. Pupils must follow instructions given by the bus driver.

15. Damage to buses will not be tolerated. Students are responsible for damage to their seat and area during their trip. Any damage should be reported immediately to the driver.

16. Pupils entitled to transportation may ride only the bus assigned to and from school.

17. Students in grades 7 through 12 are required to have identification cards, issued by the School Department, in order to ride school buses. These cards must be shown to the driver upon entering the bus. If the driver so requests, the cards must be surrendered by the student. Such a request will be made only if a disciplinary problem exists. The card will be returned to the student through the principal's office when the student is again entitled to ride.

If the driver turns in a card in the afternoon, the student will be allowed to ride to school the next morning pending an investigation by the principal of the complaint.

Cards will be issued annually. Lost cards must be replaced before the student will be allowed to ride. There will be no charge for the first card, but a payment of \$1 is required for replacement cards. Transferred-in students will be issued a temporary bus pass by the principal. Students leaving school for any reason are required to run in the I.D. card. Cards will be prepared during the first week of school by the School Department.

18. The Agawam School Committee reserves the right to refuse to transport any pupil who fails to observe rules and regulations or exhibits unacceptable conduct.

School Dept. Drug/Alcohol Policy

The School Committee recognizes that the use of drugs/alcohol illegally and/or inappropriately constitutes a hazard to the positive development of students, and that the welfare of certain students is being compromised by drug/alcohol-related problems.

Accordingly, the School Committee shall attempt to clarify through this policy and the accompanying administrative rules, the rights and responsibilities of the principals, teachers, students, and parents in dealing with the complex legal, social, educational, and emotional conditions associated with drug/alcohol use and abuse.

At the same time, the committee shall attempt to make clear the different forms of action which, depending upon the severity of a drug/alcohol-related incident, must be taken and those which shall be left to the discretion of the principals, teachers, and students.

While the committee cannot and shall not allow the sale, use, or possession of illegal drugs/alcohol on school property, the committee strongly desires to demonstrate its abiding concern for the welfare of an individual student and the general welfare of the school population by offering expert, continued, and supportive advice and counsel to its students.

In cases where a student violates this policy by the use of drugs/alcohol illegally within the school boundaries or within the school, or is involved in the sale, possession, or exchange of drugs/alcohol within the school or within the school boundaries, the student will be disciplined in accordance with the School Committee approved rules governing student drug/alcohol abuse.

It shall be the responsibility of the superintendent, or his designee, to inform school personnel, students, and parents of this policy and related administrative regulations. Copies of these statements shall be provided to students and parents upon request.

I. In instances of student drug/alcohol use and abuse, the role of the schools is basically educational. The following regulations have been established to help assure the welfare of individual students as well as the general welfare of the school population.

A. In accordance with existing state and federal laws, the civil rights of all students under investigation for drug/alcohol possession or use will be protected to the fullest extent possible by the administration.

B. The intent of the drug/alcohol policy is rehabilitative rather than punitive.

II. Any student or parent who seeks guidance on a drug/alcohol problem from any school administrator, counselor, teacher, or other staff person will be provided with such guidance without disciplinary action as long as the student is not observed on school grounds selling, possessing, or using alcohol or drugs.

When confronted by a student who is seeking guidance, staff will follow the procedure outlined below:

A. Refer the student to an appropriate agency.

B. Exercise appropriate judgement in making parental contact with consideration for the student's wishes.

C. Notify the building principal of any drug/alcohol counseling in order to coordinate all possible means of assistance available to the student.

III. Responsibilities

Individuals must accept their responsibilities according to their recognized abilities and roles.

A. Students

1. Students who possess, sell, or exchange drugs/alcohol within the school boundaries or within the school will be subject to criminal charges as well as disciplinary action as outlined below:

a. First offense — suspension from school for a minimum of three school days and a maximum of ten school days.

b. Second and succeeding offenses — Referral to the School Committee with the recommendation that the student be expelled from school.

2. Students found to be under the influence of drugs/alcohol will be liable for disciplinary action as outlined below:

a. First offense — Suspension from school for a

minimum of three school days.

b. Second offense — Suspension from school for a minimum of ten school days.

c. Third and succeeding offenses — Referral to the School Committee with the recommendation that the student be expelled.

In all cases of suspension or expulsion for drug/alcohol-related acts, there must be a conference with the school administration by the parent or guardian of the student prior to the reinstatement of the student.

Students who are subjected to suspension or expulsion for drug/alcohol-related problems may request a hearing before the School Committee.

B. Teachers, counselors and staff will be cognizant of drug problems and use professional judgement in observing students concerning drug/alcohol use and/or possession.

1. Any staff member who observes a student in possession of alcohol or drugs will be required to immediately inform the building principal.

2. Any staff person who is reasonably convinced that a student is under the influence of drugs/alcohol should use the following procedure:

a. Notify the school nurse immediately. In the event that the school nurse is not present, the building principal or his designee should be notified immediately.

b. If the school nurse feels the illness is drug/alcohol-related, he/she will notify the building principal or his designee.

c. First aid will administered as necessary and as prescribed by law.

d. If a parent cannot be contacted, and the illness persists, the school nurse will contact the family physician or school physician and follow his direction. If no physician can be contacted, the nurse will arrange to hospitalize the student.

C. Administrators

1. Administrators who find a student in possession of alcohol, suspected drug material, or narcotic devices will do the following:

a. Ask the police to identify the suspected materials.

b. Notify the student's parents if the analysis demonstrates the presence of alcohol or drugs.

c. The principal may also take any other action at this time as deemed appropriate.

d. Student lockers are the property of the School Department and may be searched by the building principal or his designee when there is sufficient reason to believe that a student is using school property to conceal illegal drugs or alcohol. All such searches will be conducted in accordance with the School Committee's policy (see statement coded JFG).

2. When an administrator is reasonably convinced a student is under the influence of drugs or alcohol, he/she should take the following steps:

a. The building principal or his designee will contact the parents.

b. Following contact with the parents, the principal or his designee, with the advice of the school nurse, will decide whether the student remain in school or be taken home by the parents.

c. Any notification of appropriate law enforcement agencies will be the responsibility of the building principal or his designee.

d. A referral to the student's guidance counselor will be made.

D. Parents

1. Because supportive action by the parents is crucial to the success of any counseling, the parents will be encouraged to contact the principal if they are concerned about their child's possible drug/alcohol-related behavior, and the principal will encourage the parents to become involved in any aspect of drug/alcohol counseling which is deemed desirable.

2. It is important that parents follow the school system's policy on administering drugs to students (see statement coded JHCD) and inform the school of any medication prescribed for and used by a student while in school.

Issued and adopted June 23rd, 1987.

Immunization Of Agawam Students

The School Immunization Law, a section of the General Laws, states that: "No child shall be admitted to school except on presentation of a physician's certificate that the child has been successfully immunized against Diphtheria, Pertussis (whooping cough), Tetanus, Mumps, Measles, Rubella, Poliomyelitis, and such other communicable diseases as may be specified from time to time by the Department of Public Health."

Our school nurses are actively trying to have the Agawam Schools comply with the mandate by sending reminders to parents and guardians to update their children's immunizations during the summer months. This September it will be necessary to have all children fully immunized or in the process for immunization for attendance in school. The Health Department urges parents to take care of this requirement as soon as possible.

Please refer any questions to your school nurse, Department of Health office, or family physician.

Notice To Drop Outs, Non-School Attenders

Any school drop out, age 16-22 years-old, is encouraged to contact the Department of Special Services for a confidential interview to discuss educational options.

Academic tutoring is available to eligible youth unable to attend school due to medical problems, accidents, and other circumstances.

For more information regarding appropriate educational options, please contact the Department of Special Services, 789-1400, extension 442.

SCHOOL'S OPEN

Sept. 7th. Please Drive Carefully

Attendance Policy To Be Enforced At Agawam High School

Purpose—Agawam High School is committed to providing quality education to all students. To meet this end, an attendance regulation has been instituted. The direct correlation between school achievement and regular attendance indicates a need for such a regulation.

It is the intent of this regulation to encourage students and parents to minimize absences from any portion of the school day. Adherence to the regulation will allow the student to gain maximum benefits from daily classroom activities.

STUDENT/PARENT RESPONSIBILITIES

When returning from an absence, a student should provide the first period teacher with an excuse note signed by a parent. The note should include the student's name, the dates of absence, and the reason for the absence. Notes will be kept on office file and will be very important in the event of an appeal.

Any tardiness or dismissals that result in the loss of class time should also be explained in a note of the same type. These notes will be filed for the same reasons.

Recognize the fact that any number of trancies from class or school will negate any basis for appeal.

TEACHER RESPONSIBILITIES

Accurate attendance will be taken and recorded every day by every teacher. Teachers will report any student showing poor attendance patterns to the appropriate guidance counselor.

When a student has lost credit in a course, the teacher will report this immediately to the appropriate guidance counselor in writing.

CREDIT REGULATIONS

Credit will be denied in any course that meets daily when a student is absent eleven (11) days in a semester. In alternate-day courses, credit will be denied when a student is absent six (6) days. Each semester of a full-year course will be independent with regard to credit loss.

Three (3) tardies to any class will constitute one (1) absence from that class. If the class time missed by a given tardy is sufficient, 15 or more minutes, this will be considered an absence.

PROCEDURES

Before any student is denied course credit, he/she will have been identified as having attendance problems. At that time administrators, guidance counselors, and involved teachers will work with the student and the parents to improve the situation.

When credit is denied due to attendance, the student will be notified in person. The parents will be notified by mail and/or telephone of the credits lost and the courses involved. An appeal request must be made within seven (7) school days from the date of the letter.

APPEAL PROCEDURE

To appeal loss of credit, the student or parent must notify the building principal in writing within the allotted time. The principal will set an appeals hearing date within five (5) school days.

Appeals will be held between 1:45 and 3:00 p.m., in the office conference room. The appeals committee will consist of one principal and two teachers. The parent and student will be notified in writing of the decision made by the committee within three (3) school days of the meeting. The decision of this committee may be appealed to the superintendent of schools by the parent and/or the student.

Adult Education Registration

Mr. Paul Cavallo, director of the Agawam Adult Education Program, announces registration for classes for the 1988-89 school year will be held on Monday and Tuesday evenings, September 12th and 13th, from 6:30 to 8:00 p.m., at Agawam High School, 760 Cooper Street, Agawam. Classes will begin Monday, September 19th.

Courses offered to complete requirements for a high school diploma include: English I-IV; Algebra; Business Math; General Math; U.S. History; General Science; Life Science; and Basic Psychology. Additional courses include: Developmental Writing; Typewriting for Beginners; and S.A.T. Preparation.

In the practical arts, the following courses will be offered: furniture refinishing, cabinet making and wood-working, oil painting, sewing, chair caning, quilting, knitting, Italian cooking, pastry making, and introductory car maintenance.

Those who are registering in Agawam for coursework leading to a high school diploma must bring all records of previous high school work so that a grade level placement can be determined.

The school year consists of two semesters, each 10 weeks long. The fall semester begins September 19th and concludes December 2nd. The winter/spring semester begins January 9th and concludes March 27th, 1989. A non-refundable registration fee of \$30 is required at the time of registration for each course, each semester.

The evening of the week each course will be offered will be determined at the time of registration in order to accommodate as many people as possible. Additional information may be obtained at the time of registration.

Guidance Department

Students enrolled in the Agawam Public Schools, grade 5 through 12, have been assigned a guidance counselor. At the middle and junior high schools, students are assigned by grade level: **Grade 5 - Mr. Thomas Dacey; Grade 6 - Mrs. Ellen Freeman; Grade 7 - Mrs. Jane Lucardi; Grade 8 - Mrs. Ann Marie Gould; Grade 9 - Mr. Francis Meagher.**

Students at the senior high school are assigned to one of the following counselors: **Mr. Paul Cavallo, Mr. John Porter, Mrs. Judith Cohen, or Mrs. Jane Williams.** At all schools, any guidance counselor will assist your child if the need arises.

Counseling of students occurs on a regular basis and includes such areas as academic progress, individual programming, adjustment problems, career and vocational information, orientation of new students and referrals of students with special needs. The counselors also arrange, administer, and interpret standardized tests. This information is available upon request.

Parents may request parent-teacher conferences, homework assignments during a period of absence, and progress reports. In addition, guidance counselors at the senior high school offer information concerning career planning, scholarships, financial aid, and college applications.

The guidance counselors sincerely encourage parents to avail themselves of these services and to contact the guidance counselors at any time concerning their children.

Music Programs

The Agawam Schools offer a comprehensive program in music, and opportunities abound in both curricular courses and extra-curricular activities.

All students in elementary school receive music on a weekly basis as a regular classroom subject taught by a music specialist. Beginning instruction in violin is started in 4th grade, and the opportunity for chorus experience is also available at this level.

At the middle school, classroom music continues to be offered to students on a twice a week basis. Instruction in primary band instruments is started in 5th grade, string instrument instruction is continued, and chorus is also available to selected students.

Full band rehearsals start in 5th grade and are continued in 6th grade, meeting twice a week in addition to a like-instrument sectional practice each week. Chorus and string ensemble also meet twice each week.

At the junior high, chorus, band, and string ensemble continue on a twice a week basis. Students continue in classroom music instruction and have additional options for guitar class in 8th and 9th grades. Expanded opportunities are also offered in chorus shows and jazz band. Students at this level may try-out for All-Western Massachusetts honor groups and festival attendance by performing groups which adds to their experience.

At the senior high, music becomes entirely elective with many courses available in the regular schedule. Music courses receive full academic credit according to the number of meetings per week.

The following meet on a daily basis: Music Theory, Music History, Show Choir, Chorus, and Choreography, and receive full course credit. Meeting every other day are Band, Jazz Band, Jazz Workshop and History, Electronic Music, Piano Class, and Guitar Class, and receive half credit.

The band curriculum during the fall includes marching activities and members join with color guard in evening rehearsals to form the "Marching Mohawks" for many weekend performances.

Solo/ensemble festivals are held each year for all students in grades 5-12 who play or sing with afternoon events at the middle, junior, and senior high schools. An All-Star evening recital is held for students receiving highest ratings in the afternoon sessions.

Music is also available during the summer with five week sessions (meeting two days per week) available to middle and junior high school band students. A Community Band is also available for older students and adults who wish to continue playing in a group.

Hazing

Chapter 536 of the Acts of 1985 (also known as Massachusetts General Law Chapter 269, Sections 17-19) is a new law which took effect on November 26th, 1985, reads as follows:

Chapter 269 of the General Laws is hereby amended by adding the following three sections: —

Section 17. Whoever is a principle organizer or participant in the crime of hazing as defined herein shall be punished by a fine of not more than \$1,000 or by imprisonment in a house of correction for not more than 100 days, or by both such fine and imprisonment.

The term "hazing" as used in this section and in sections 18 and 19, shall mean any conduct or method of initiation into any student organization, whether on public or private property, which willfully or recklessly endangers the physical or mental health of any student or other person.

Such conduct shall include whipping, beating, branding, forced calisthenics, exposure to the weather, forced consumption of any food, liquor, beverage, drug or other substance, or any other brutal treatment or forced physical activity which is likely to adversely affect the physical health or safety of any student or other person, or which subjects such student or other person to extreme mental stress, including extended deprivation of sleep or rest or extended isolation.

Section 18. Whoever knows that another person is the victim of hazing as defined in section 17 and is at the scene of such crime shall, to the extent that such person can do so without danger or peril to himself or others, report such crime to an appropriate law enforcement official as soon as reasonably practicable. Whoever fails to report such crime shall be punished by a fine of not more than \$500.

Section 19. Each secondary school and each public and private school or college shall issue to every group or organization under its authority or operating on or in conjunction with its campus or school, and to every member, plebe, pledgee, or applicant for membership in such group or organization, a copy of this section and sections 17 and 18.

An officer of each such group or organization, and each individual receiving a copy of said sections 17 and 18, shall sign an acknowledgement stating that such group, organization, or individual has received a copy of said sections 17 and 18.

Each secondary school and each public or private school or college shall file, at least annually, a report with the regents of higher education and in the case of secondary schools, the board of education, certifying that such institution has complied with the provisions of this section and also certifying that said school has adopted a disciplinary policy with regards to the organizers and participants of hazing.

The board of regents and in the case of secondary schools, the board of education, shall promulgate regulations governing the content and frequency of such reports, and shall forthwith report to the attorney general any such institution which fails to make such report.

Student Insurance

Student accident insurance is available to all students. The School Committee provides insurance to cover all students taking part in inter-scholastic athletics. It is the family's responsibility to provide whatever other insurance is desired, and a plan is being offered to make this possible.

For \$5 students may purchase insurance covering a period of going to school, at school, and going from school each day. Twenty-four hour coverage is also available at a cost of \$34 per student. This coverage insures the student during school vacation, holidays, and weekends as well.

The reasons that this insurance is available at such a low cost is that it is non-duplicating insurance. Non-duplicating means that other insurance owned by the family, for example, Blue Cross/Blue Shield, must be used first. If other insurance does not cover the complete cost or any part of the cost, then the school insurance plan will take over. By filing a claim with the insurance company, a parent may be reimbursed for any insured loss.

Athletic insurance is also non-duplicating. A parent may not collect from the school's insurance carrier and from another company for the same accident. A policy description will be sent to each student's home early in the school year. Please read it carefully.

If you have any questions, call the Assistant Superintendent/Business Manager at 789-1400, Extension 433.

Title IX Procedures

GRIEVANCE PROCEDURES FOR STUDENTS

Title IX and Handicap (Section 504)

Students 14 years of age or older, who feel their rights have been violated under Title IX or Handicap (Section 504), are to contact:

1. Associate Superintendent/Business Manager
2. Advisor for Office of Student Affairs at Agawam High School

If the grievance cannot be resolved by the Advisor for Office of Student Affairs, the following are to be contacted (in this order) to arrive at prompt, equitable resolutions of student's complaints charging violations of Title IX or Handicap (Section 504):

1. Guidance Counselor (in their building)
2. Assistant Principal (in their building)
3. Principal (in their building)

4. Superintendent of Schools 5. School Committee

Students under 14 years of age may have their parent(s) grieve on their behalf in writing to their building principal. If the grievance cannot be resolved by the building principal, the following are to be contacted (in this order) to arrive at prompt and equitable resolutions of student's complaints charging violations of Title IX or Handicap (Section 504):

1. Superintendent of Schools 2. School Committee

The Title IX coordinator will be available to assist all grievance committees in arriving at prompt and equitable resolutions of student complaints charging violation of Title IX or of Section 504.



JOHN F. BROSNAN
Director of Special Services

CHAPTER 1

The School Department has applied for and received approval from the federal government for a project to increase the educational opportunities of students with certain basic skills deficiencies. The amount of the grant is \$85,214.

The project, known as Chapter 1, provides extra reading and math instruction to those students who need the extra help in order to keep up with their classes. In order to qualify for funds, the individual schools as well as the school district must have a minimum percentage of educationally deprived students with educational needs.

A Parent Advisory Council (P.A.C.) meets monthly and is involved in all stages of planning, operating, and evaluating the program. Because of its close work with the schools, the council links the home and school enhancing opportunities for these students.

More than 200 students in grades one to four will receive extra assistance in reading and math this year because of this grant.

CHAPTER 2 Federal Block Grant

Under the provisions of the Education Consolidation and Improvement Act (ECIA), Chapter 2, the Commonwealth of Massachusetts Department of Education, has approved a federal grant for the Public Schools of Agawam. The amount approved for 1988-89 is \$13,597.

The money will be spent in a variety of ways to support some on-going programs and to fund new activities. Monies will be spent to bolster our remedial math in the eighth grade, continue the study skills program at the elementary level, and continue the writing skills program.

CHAPTER 766

All students are expected to meet the requirements for behavior as set forth in this handbook. Chapter 71B of the Massachusetts General Laws, known as Chapter 766, requires that additional provisions be made for students who have been found by an evaluation TEAM to have special needs and whose program is described in an Individualized Educational Plan (IEP). The following additional requirements apply to the discipline of special needs students:

1. The IEP for every special needs student will indicate whether the student can be expected to meet the regular discipline code or if the student's handicapping condition requires a modification. Any modification will be described in the IEP.

2. The Principal (or designee) will notify the Special Education Office of the suspendable offense of a special needs student and a record will be kept of such notices.

3. When it is known that the suspension(s) of a special needs student will accumulate to 10 days in a school year, a review of the IEP as provided in Section 33 of the Chapter 766 Regulations will be held to determine the appropriateness of the student's placement or program.

The TEAM will make a finding as to the relationship between the student's misconduct and his/her handicapping condition and either:

- a) design a modified program for the student or
- b) write an amendment to provide for the delivery of special education services during the suspension and any needed modification of the IEP relative to discipline code expectations.

In addition, the Department of Education will be notified as required by law, and the procedures promulgated by the Department of Education for requesting approval of the alternative plan will be followed.

CHAPTER 622

An important piece of legislation affecting the public schools was passed in August 1971. This law, Chapter 622 of the General Laws, Acts of 1971, is referred to as "An Act to Prohibit Discrimination in the Public Schools." The law reads:

"No person shall be excluded from or discriminated against in admission to a public school of any town, or in obtaining the advantages, privileges and courses of study of such public school because of race, color, sex, religion, or national origin."

This law makes it clear that all aspects of public school education must be fully open and available to members of both sexes and of minority groups. No school may exclude a child from any course, activity, service, or resource available in that public school because of race, color, sex, religion, or national origin of such child.

On June 24th, 1975, the State Board of Education approved regulations for Chapter 622. These regulations address five areas of school policy: school admissions, admission to courses of study, guidance, content and extra-curricular, and athletic activities.

If you have any questions or concerns regarding Chapter 622 and how it affects your children, please do not hesitate to contact your local principal or the superintendent of school's office. Copies of the law and the regulations can be obtained from the Bureau of Equal Educational Opportunity, 182 Tremont Street, Boston, MA, 02111. Telephone (617) 727-5880.

TITLE IX

Title IX is the portion of the Education Amendments of 1972 which prohibits sex discrimination in federally-assisted education programs. Specifically, Title IX states:

The governing regulations, effective July 21st, 1975, cover all aspects of sex discrimination in schools with regard to admissions, treatment of students and employment.

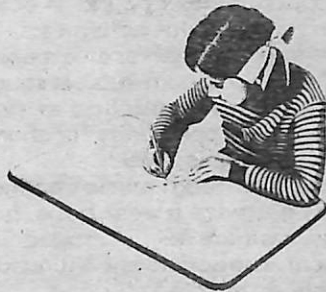
The Agawam School System does not discriminate on the basis of sex. Any inquiries you may have should be brought to the attention of: **Mr. Smith T. Rovelli, Title IX Coordinator, James Clark School, 65 Oxford Street, Agawam, MA 01001, Phone 789-1400, extension 411; or Mr. John G. Bynoe, Director, Office for Civil Rights, RKP General Building, Boston, MA 02114, Phone (617) 223-6397.**

Section 504

Section 504 of U.S. Rehabilitation Act of 1973 is referred to as an "Act for Elimination of Discrimination on the Basis of Handicap in any School District Program or Activity Receiving Financial Assistance."

Section 504 requires that no otherwise qualified handicapped individual, shall, solely by reason of his handicap, be excluded from the participation in, denied the benefits of, or be subjected to discrimination under any program or activity in the public schools.

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AGAWAM PUBLIC SCHOOLS

Do you have questions about your preschooler? If you would like a screening or more information, please contact the Special Services Department.

- ☐ I would like a screening for my child.
- ☐ I would like to speak to a member of the Special Services Staff.
- ☐ I would like a copy of the Parent Handbook.

**PLEASE SEND TO: Special Services Office
1305 Springfield Street
Feeding Hills, MA 01030
Or Call 789-1400 Ext. 442 For More Information.**

NAME _____

ADDRESS _____

ZIP _____

PHONE _____

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1305 SPRINGFIELD STREET

FEEDING HILLS, MA 01030

SCHOOL CALENDAR 1988 - 1989

180 school days (pupils)
***1 non-teaching day (teachers)**
5 inclement weather days

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September 7 - Schools Open
 September 5 - Labor Day
 October 10 - Columbus Day
 November 4 - Teachers' Convention
 November 11 - Veterans' Day
 November 23 - 1/2 Day
 November 24-35 - Thanksgiving Recess
 December 24-January 2 - Winter Recess

January 3 - Schools Open
 January 16 - Martin Luther King Day
 February 20-24 - Mid-winter Vacation
 March 24 - Good Friday
 April 17-21 - Spring Vacation
 May 29 - Memorial Day
 June 26 - Schools Close

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Free Or Reduced Prices On School Lunch

The Agawam Public Schools serve nutritious meals every school day. Students may buy lunch for 70 cents at the elementary schools, 75 cents at the middle school, and 80 cents at the junior and senior high schools.

Children from families whose income is at or below the levels shown on the scale below may be eligible for either free meals or meals at a reduced price of 40 cents for lunch.

INCOME ELIGIBILITY SCALE FOR FREE OR REDUCED PRICE MEALS EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 1988 to JUNE 30, 1989 IF YOUR GROSS INCOME FALLS WITHIN THESE LIMITS, YOU MAY BE ELIGIBLE FOR FREE OR REDUCED PRICE MEALS

FAMILY SIZE	YEARLY	MONTHLY	WEEKLY
1	10,675	890	206
2	14,301	1,192	276
3	17,927	1,494	345
4	21,553	1,797	415
5	25,179	2,099	485
6	28,805	2,401	554
7	32,431	2,703	624
8	36,057	3,005	694
For each additional family member add:	plus 3,626	plus 303	plus 70

To apply at any time during the year for free or reduced price meals for your children, complete the Free and Reduced Price Meal Application and return to the school within seven days of receiving your application. The school will let you know whether or not you are eligible.

FOOD STAMP/AFDC HOUSEHOLDS: If you currently receive Food Stamps or "Aid to Families with Depen-

dent Children" for your child, you only have to list your child's name and a food stamp or AFDC case number, print your name, and sign the application. Since you have already given income information to the welfare office, the school can confirm your eligibility.

ALL OTHER HOUSEHOLDS: If your household income is at or below the level shown on the enclosed scale, your child is eligible for either free or reduced price meals. To apply for meal benefits, you must provide the following information or your application cannot be approved.

-HOUSEHOLD MEMBERS: List the names of everyone who lives in your household. Include parents, grandparents, all children, other relatives and unrelated people who live in your household.

-SOCIAL SECURITY: List the social security number of each adult age 21 or older. If an adult does not have a social security number print "none."

-SIGNATURE: An adult household member must sign the application.

-MONTHLY INCOME: List total monthly income AND the amount of income (BEFORE deductions for taxes, social security, etc.) each person received last month and where it is from such as wages, retirement, or welfare. If you have a household member for whom last month's income was higher or lower than usual, list that person's expected average monthly income.

VERIFICATION: The federal government now requires that School Officials verify the income figures listed on a percentage of Free/Reduced Price Meal Applications. Therefore, social security numbers may be used to identify household members in carrying out efforts to verify the correctness of information stated on the Application. These verification efforts may be carried out through program reviews, audits and investigations.

In addition, verification procedures may include contacting employers to determine income, contacting the state employment security office to determine the amount of benefits received, and submitting social security numbers or AFDC case numbers to the Department of Public Welfare to verify eligibility for the food stamp program and checking the documentation produced by household members to prove the amount of income received. These efforts may result in a loss or reduction of benefits, administrative claims or legal actions if incorrect information is reported.

FOSTER CHILDREN: A foster child who is a ward of

the state is considered to be a family of one. Please list only the funds received from a welfare agency which can be identified for the personal use of the child. Personal needs may be defined as: clothing, school fees, allowances, etc. When such funds cannot be identified, no portion of the funds provided by the welfare agency shall be considered as income.

REPORTING CHANGES: If you are approved for meal benefits, you must report any changes in household size and increases in income of more than \$50 a month or \$600 per year. Call the school official listed at the end of this letter.

MID-YEAR APPLICATION: If you do not wish to apply now or if you are not now eligible, you may apply for benefits anytime during the school year. Please contact the school at anytime during the school year to apply for meal benefits.

Children having parents or guardians who become unemployed are eligible for free or reduced price meals during the period of unemployment, provided that the household income is within the eligibility guidelines for this period.

NONDISCRIMINATION: All children are treated the same regardless of ability to pay. In the operation of child feeding programs, no child will be discriminated against because of race, sex, color, national origin, handicap or age. If you believe you have been discriminated against, write immediately to the Secretary of Agriculture, Washington, D.C. 20250.

FAIR HEARING: If you do not agree with the school's decision on your application, you may wish to discuss it with the school. If you wish to review the decision further, you have a right to a fair hearing. This can be done by calling or writing James V. Bruno, Jr.

PLEASE COMPLETE ALL APPLICABLE INFORMATION ON THE APPLICATION FORM. An application which does not contain complete information on household members and income cannot be used by the school. If information is missing, your child will be denied the free or reduced meal benefits. Call your school if you need help with the form.

The application for free or reduced price meals must be signed by an adult family member.

CONFIDENTIALITY: The information you provide will be treated confidentially and will be used only for eligibility determinations and verification of data.



CLIFFORD KIBBE - Athletic Director
Agawam High School



AGAWAM FALL SPORTS

VARSIY Football Site - High School

September 16th: Northampton, Away, 7:30*
September 23rd: Amherst, Home, 7:30*
September 30th: Holyoke, Away, 7:00*
October 7th: Central, Home, 7:30*
October 15th: Minnechaug, Home, 1:30 p.m.
October 21st: Chicopee Comp, Away, 7:00*
October 28th: Cathedral, Home, 7:00*
November 11th: Westfield, Home, 6:00*
November 24th: West Springfield, Away, 10:00 a.m.

*Denotes night game.

JV Football Site - High School

September 17th: Northampton, Away, 10:00*
September 24th: Amherst, Home, 10:00*
October 1st: Holyoke, Away, 10:00*
October 8th: Central, Home, 10:00*
October 17th: Minnechaug, Home, 3:30 p.m.
October 22nd: Chicopee Comp., Away, 10:00*
October 31st: Cathedral, Home, 3:00 p.m.
November 14th: Westfield, Home, 3:00 p.m.

*Denotes morning game.

FROSH Football Site - Jr. High Time: 3:30 p.m.

September 16th: Northampton, Home
September 23rd: Amherst, Away
September 30th: Holyoke, Home
October 7th: Westfield, Away
October 14th: Minnechaug, Away
October 21st: Chicopee Comp, Home
October 28th: Cathedral, Away

BOYS' Soccer Site - High School Time: 3:30 p.m.

September 13th: East Longmeadow, Home
September 15th: West Springfield, Home, 7:30 p.m.; JV, 6:00 p.m.
September 19th: Longmeadow, Home

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SPORTS SCHEDULES - From Previous Page

September 24th: Ludlow, Away, 10:30 a.m.
September 27th: Minnechaug, Away
September 29th: Central, Home, 7:00 p.m.; JV, 5:30 p.m.
October 5th: Amherst, Away
October 7th: Westfield, Away
October 11th: Chicopee Comp., Home
October 13th: Cathedral, Home
October 17th: Holyoke, Away
October 19th: Northampton, Away
October 21st: West Spfld., Away, 7:00 p.m.; JV, 5:30 p.m.
October 25th: Chicopee, Home
October 27th: Ludlow, Home, 5:00 p.m., JV; 6:30 p.m., Varsity.

GIRLS' Soccer Site - High School Time - 3:30 p.m.

September 14th: Minnechaug, Home
September 16th: Northampton, Home
September 20th: Holyoke, Home, 7:30 p.m.; JV, 6:00 p.m.
September 22nd: West Spfld., Away, 7:00 p.m.; JV, 5:30 p.m.
September 26th: East Longmeadow, Home.
September 28th: Chicopee, Away
September 30th: Cathedral, Home
October 4th: Chicopee Comp., Away
October 6th: Ludlow, Home, 7:00 p.m.; JV, 5:30 p.m.
October 12th: Westfield, Away, 7:00 p.m.; JV, 5:30 p.m.
October 14th: Central, Home
October 18th: Minnechaug, Away
October 20th: Northampton, Away
October 22nd: West Spfld., Home, 6:30 p.m.; JV, 5:00 p.m.
October 25th: Holyoke, Away
October 28th: East Longmeadow, Away

FROSH Soccer Site - Jr. High Time - 3:30 p.m.

September 13th: East Longmeadow, Away
September 15th: West Springfield, Home
September 19th: Longmeadow, Away
September 23rd: Ludlow, Home
September 27th: Minnechaug, Home
October 5th: Holyoke, Away
October 7th: Westfield, Home
October 11th: Chicopee Comp., Away, Alden-ville Playground
October 13th: Longmeadow, Home
October 19th: Chicopee, Home
October 21st: West Springfield, Away
October 25th: Chicopee, Away
October 27th: Ludlow, Away
October 31st: Holyoke, Home, 3:00 p.m.

FIELD HOCKEY Site - High School Time: 3:15 p.m.

September 14th: Southwick, Away
September 16th: Longmeadow, Away
September 20th: Minnechaug, Home
September 22nd: West Springfield, Home
September 23rd: Holyoke, Home
September 26th: Westfield, Away, 7:00 p.m., varsity only
September 28th: East Longmeadow, Home
September 30th: South Hadley, Away
October 3rd: Holyoke, Away
October 5th: Southwick, Home, 7:00 p.m.; JV, 5:30 p.m.
October 12th: Longmeadow, Home
October 14th: Minnechaug, Away
October 18th: West Springfield, Away
October 20th: Westfield, Home

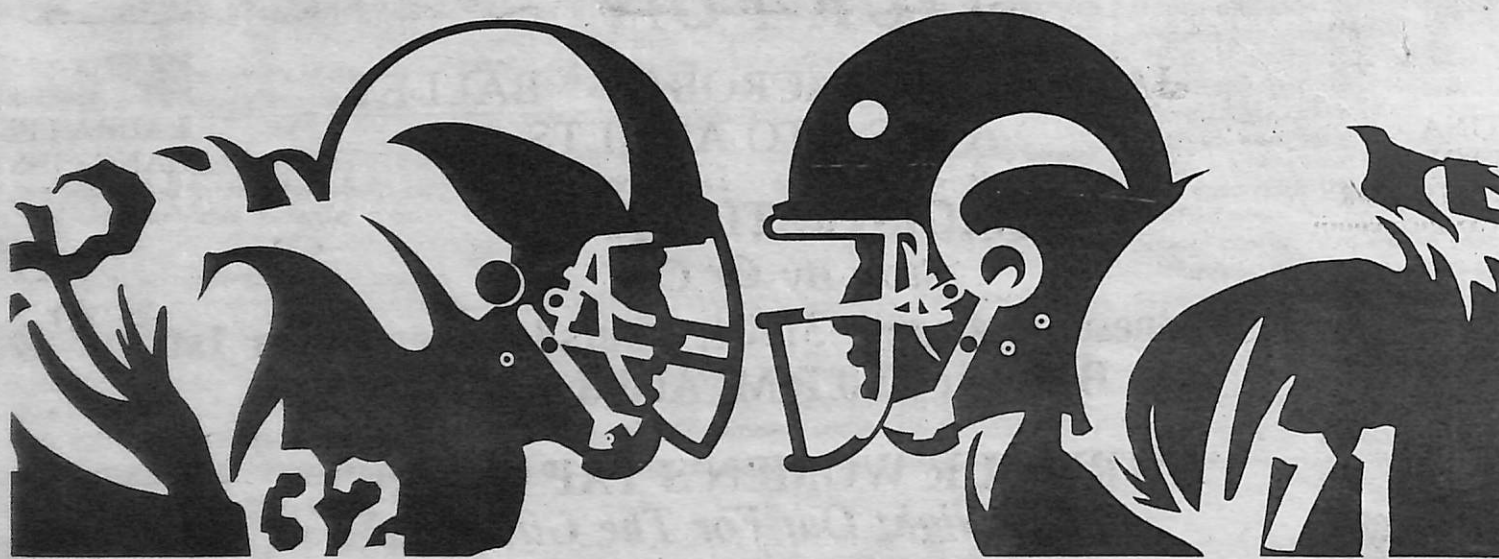
October 25th: East Longmeadow, Away
October 27th: Mohawk, Home

GYMNASTICS Site - High School Time: 5:00 p.m.

September 16th: Central, Home
September 20th: Holyoke, Home
September 23rd: East Longmeadow, Away
September 27th: Wahconah, Home
September 30th: Gateway, Away
October 4th: Chicopee Comp., Home
October 7th: Hampshire, Away
October 11th: Central, Away
October 13th: Holyoke, Away
October 17th: East Longmeadow, Home, 7:00 p.m.
October 21st: Wahconah, Away, 6:15 p.m.
October 24th: Gateway, Home
October 27th: Chicopee Comp., Away
November 1st: Hampshire, Home
November 10th: Individuals, 7:00 p.m.
November 12th: Team B, 11:00 a.m.

CROSS COUNTRY Site - High School Time: 3:45 p.m.

September 13th: Putnam, Home
September 16th: Minnechaug, Home
September 19th: Holyoke, Away
September 23rd: Chicopee Comp., Away
September 26th: Central, Home
September 30th: Amherst, Away
October 3rd: West Springfield, Home
October 7th: East Longmeadow, Away
October 11th: Northampton, Away
October 14th: Chicopee, Away
October 21st: Cathedral, Home





Education

First-Time Riders Learn Many Tips On School Bus Safety

by Iris Copson
School Dept. Editor

Agawam Police's Safety Officer, Sergeant Alfred Longhi, and the Agawam Junior Women's Safety Bug, greeted a packed Community Room at the Agawam Public Library of first-time bus riders and their parents for a special Disney film presentation on bus safety, Friday, August 26th.

The loveable "Winnie the Pooh" and his forest friends learned from Christopher Robin that a school bus was not a "fierce animal" but something to ride on. In the process, they also learned some sound safety rules about riding the school bus.

"Be sure to get to the bus stop in plenty of time," Christopher told his animal friends, "and never chase the bus after it has left." Upon entering the school bus for the trip to school, they also learned to greet the bus driver and sit well back in the seat. "Don't run or stand in the aisles. Stay in your seat until the bus driver or a teacher tells you to get up," said Christopher.

He added, "Don't ever throw things out the windows and do not open and close the windows. The emergency door shouldn't be touched by the children." The animated creatures remarked on the many interesting things that can be seen travelling on the bus because of all the windows.

They also learned not to be loud because it could interfere with the driver's work. "The driver may not be able to hear sirens or ambulances if children become too loud on the bus," said Christopher.

When departing from the bus, the children in the audience also were reminded to form a single file (as when loading) and not to push or shove.

Christopher Robin also told the children that the numbers on the bus help you to remember which bus to ride on. The film was enjoyable and tempered to the short attention span of younger audiences.

After the film, Sergeant Longhi and the Safety Bug reinforced the safety rules of bus riding and reminded the children that the bus driver, safety patrol students,



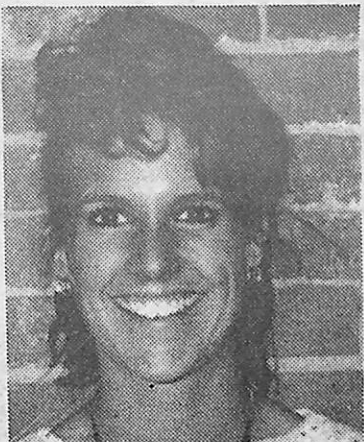
THE POPULAR SAFETY BUG OF THE Agawam Junior Women's Club is surrounded by admiring first-time school bus riders at a special program at the Agawam Public Library, Friday, August 26th. Safety Officer Al Longhi and The Safety Bug meet with first-time bus riders every year to explain safety rules and to give the children a trial ride on a school bus. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

bus monitors, and teachers were the "people to listen to when riding the bus." Longhi reiterated the fact by telling the children "these people are there to help you."

The Safety Bug and Sergeant Longhi then took the children to see and ride a school bus at the Agawam High School. They practiced crossing a street safely to get to the bus and loading safely.

Children received yellow, bus-shaped bumper stickers that read, "School's Open, drive carefully."

After their ride, which hopefully alleviated any fears, the television media was on hand to interview some of the participants. The excitement of seeing themselves on the 5:30 p.m. news that evening may have been enough to abandon any remaining anxieties for the youngsters.



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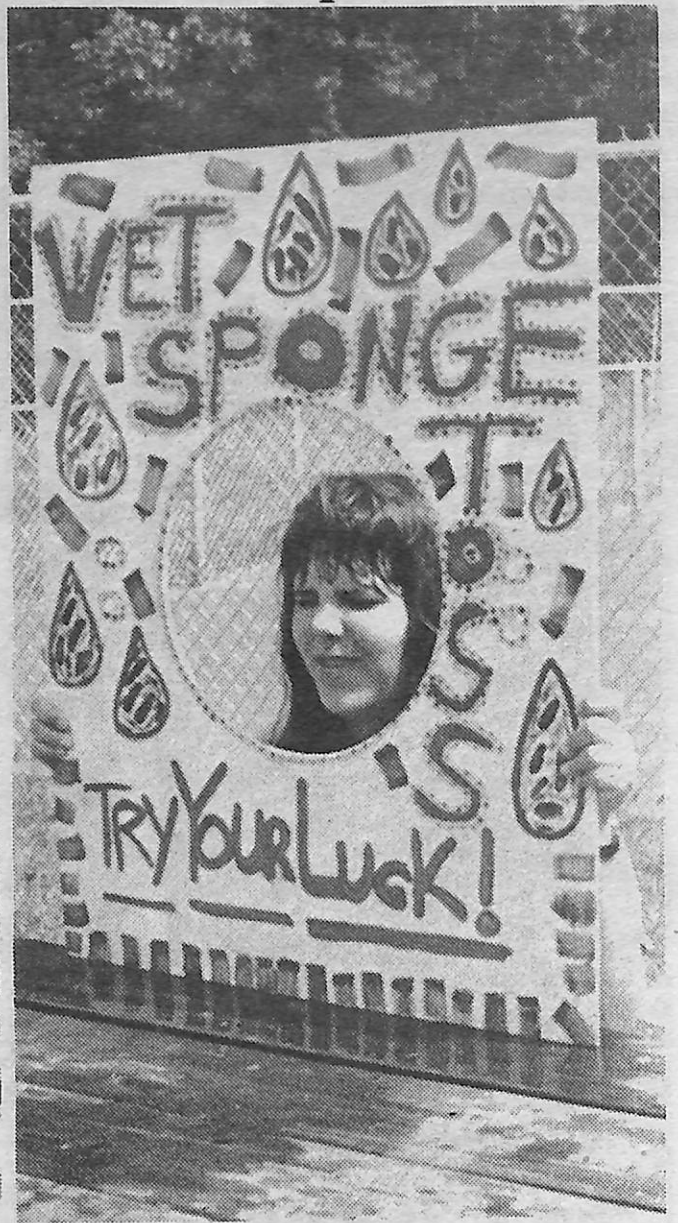
Penny Carnival Climaxes Town's Summer Camp



JEFF PAVELCSYK and TONY NEWMAN resemble the famous tag team, "Demolition" (in face only). Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.



CAMP COUNSELORS Jill Phillips and Sue Martin supervise a game at the Annual Penny Carnival held at Perry Lane Park. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.



CHERYL LOMASTRO closes her eyes before getting splashed with a wet sponge at the Annual Penny Carnival held at Perry Lane Park. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

Attendance Policy Strict At Agawam High

by Iris Copson
School Dept. Editor

Superintendent of Schools James V. Bruno released the new Agawam High School attendance regulations this week for September 1988. The School Department did not continue the attendance policy for the 1987-88 academic year.

He said, "This is not a whole lot different than the policy we had two years ago. We have eliminated a lot of the paperwork and streamlined it."

He continued, "We wanted to make changes in the existing policy to see whether the students could be responsible. There was a tremendous increase in tardies and dismissals."

The purpose of the regulations states: "AHS is committed to providing quality education to all students. To meet this end, an attendance policy has been instituted. The direct correlation between school achievement and regular attendance indicates a need for such a policy. It is the intent of this policy to encourage students and parents to minimize absences

from any portion of the school day. Adherence to the policy will allow the student to gain maximum benefits from daily classroom activities."

Under the new regulations, a student returning from an absence should provide the first period teacher with an excuse note signed by a parent. The note should include the student's name, the dates of absence, and the reason for the absence.

Any tardiness or dismissals that result in the loss of class time should also be explained in a note of the same type. Associate Superintendent Donald Charest said, "All notes will be kept on file in the AHS office in the event of an appeal."

Credit will be denied in any course that meets daily when a student is absent 11 days in a semester. In alternate day courses, credit will be denied when a student is absent six days. Each semester of a full year course will be independent with regard to credit loss.

Charest said, "Skipping (truancy) will not be

tolerated. Skipping could cause a student to lose all credit in a class for the semester."

Three tardies under 15 minutes to any class will constitute one class absence, and if the tardiness is 15 minutes or more, this will be considered an absence.

Before any student is denied course credit, they will have been identified as having attendance problems. At that time, administrators, guidance counselors and involved teachers will work with the student and parents to improve the situation.

Charest added, "Both the student and parents will be notified when the loss of credit is a possibility, and an appeal can be filed within seven days."

Bruno said, "The previous policy generated a lot of paperwork for teachers, guidance counselors and principals. I am very confident this is going to work and it will do the job. After a reasonable period of time, we will sit down and evaluate it."

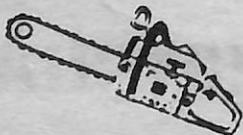
Charest said the policy changes are favored by most of the AHS teachers, counselors, and administrators.

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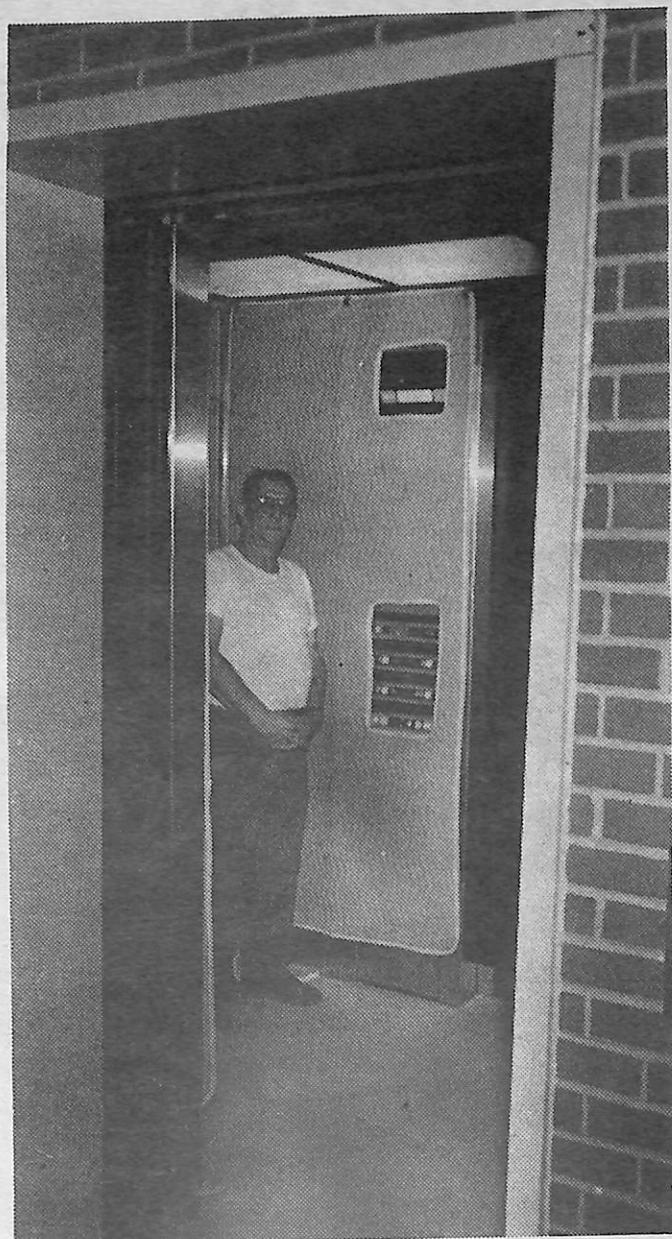
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Getting Middle School Into Shape...



NORM FONTAINE isn't really hiding -he's actually checking out the new elevator at the Agawam Middle School.

Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.



MEMBERS OF THE AGAWAM BUILDING MAINTENANCE CREW Brian Sweeney, Gary DeSimone, and Al Hish, do some landscaping in front of the Agawam Middle School in anticipation of the start of school next week. The crew has been seen on school grounds throughout town doing similar work to get things ready for the big day on September 7th. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

Children's Programs At Public Library

Parents and grandparents of Agawam pre-schoolers ages 2½ to 4 are cordially invited to bring your youngsters to participate in the Agawam Public Library fall session of "Parent and Child Together" storytimes.

A choice of four different times are available beginning Wednesday, September 21, at 10 or 11 a.m., or Thursday, September 22, at 10 or 11 a.m.

The six week series will introduce parent and child to the mutual pleasures of picture books, songs and rhymes, and arts and crafts. Each session will

culminate in creating a craft to bring home.

These programs are offered to help introduce literature to young children, and to show parents the wide variety of books, games, puzzles, and quality videos available to borrow from the Agawam Public Library at no cost.

Prepare to discover what a friendly, happy experience our library can be for your child by calling 789-1550 and registering for one of the series. Registration for each session is limited to 20, on a first come, first served basis.

Agawam Schools' Lunch Menu

Wednesday, September 7th: Hamburg in roll, mustard, relish, catsup, buttered mixed vegetables, steamed rice, applesauce, milk.

Thursday, September 8th: Steamed frankfort in roll, oven baked beans, buttered green beans, chilled pears in syrup, milk.

Friday, September 9th: Tuna salad sandwich or peanut butter sandwich, oven french fries, buttered peas and carrots, jello with whip topping, milk.

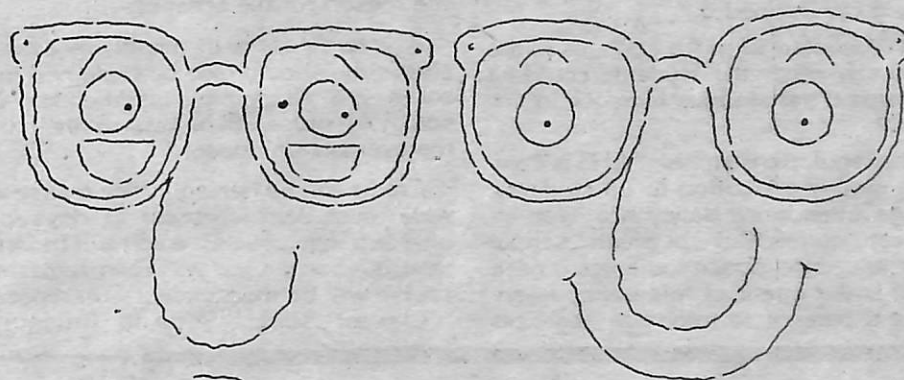
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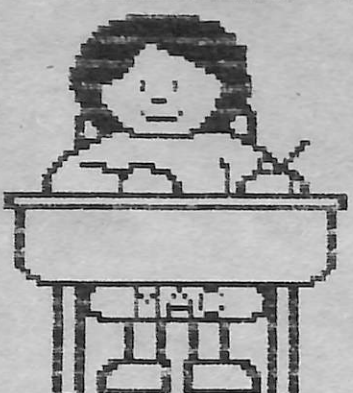
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Happy Birthday to those with a birthday this month. Your birthstone is the sapphire.

Well, we are down to the wire. This was your last full week. So, how did you do with the planets? There are 9 of them. They are Mercury, Venus, Earth, Mars, Jupiter, Saturn, Uranus, Neptune, and Pluto. Have a good Labor Day weekend.

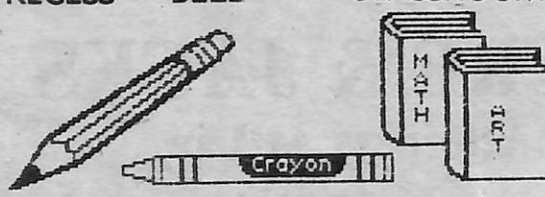
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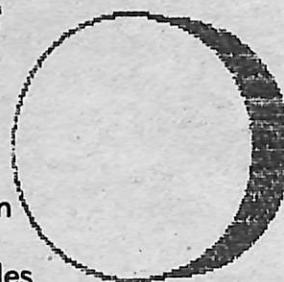
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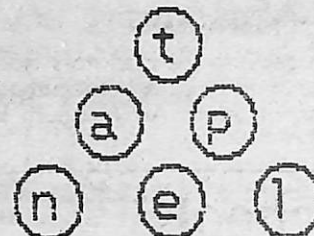
VOCABULARY CORNER

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A sphere is a round object. All the points on the surface are the same distance from its center. A ball, and the planets are examples of some spheres. Can you think of any other spheres?



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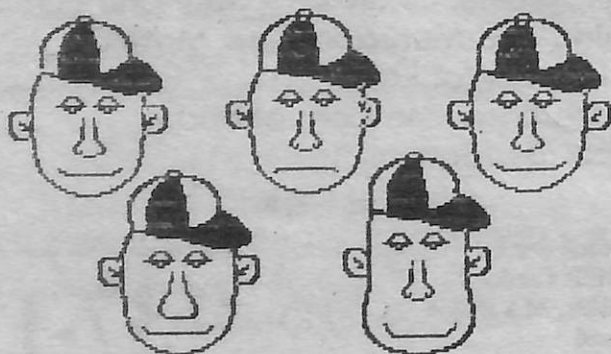
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Use the numbers already given to fill in all the blanks in the cube and the totals for the rows and columns.

Which two faces are alike?



STAR GAZER

Can you see the letter 'e' in the stars?



Melconian's Annual Picnic Packs Polish Club



ANTHONY MICHAEL TRANGHESE receives a balloon-dog from his new-found friend at Senator Melconian's picnic last Sunday. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

Adults & Kids Can Take Art Classes At Museum

Adults and children can get into the back-to-school spirit this fall by signing-up for art classes at the School of the George Walter Vincent Smith Art Museum in Springfield.

A **members-only** walk-in registration will be held on Saturday afternoon, September 3rd, from 12:00 noon to 2:00 p.m., in the George Walter Vincent Smith Art Museum.

A **non-members** registration will be held on Sunday, September 4th, from 12:00 noon to 2:00 p.m., in the same location.

The art school offers local adults and children aged three to 16 the opportunity to explore studio art and art appreciation topics in a non-competitive, lovely museum setting. Class offerings for adults include calligraphy, sculpture, drawing, embroidery, and painting. Children can sign-up for sculpture, drawing, and painting and a special course on Egyptian mummies and hieroglyphs. Children can also learn how to create their own cartoon flip books or become **An American In Paris** by studying the paintings in the exhibition, **Lasting Impressions: French and American Impressionism from New England Museums**, on view soon at the Springfield Museum of Fine Arts.

For more information, call 733-4214.



STATE SENATOR LINDA J. MELCONIAN is pictured with supporters at her Annual Picnic last Sunday. From left - Tom DeNardo, Nikki Arestedes, Senator Melconian, Rick Bishop, Caroline Condil, Sal Anzalotti, and Sophia Jeffery (chairwoman of event). **IN PHOTO BELOW**, "Melconian's Crew" was also stuffed with animals. Advertiser News photos by Jack Devine.



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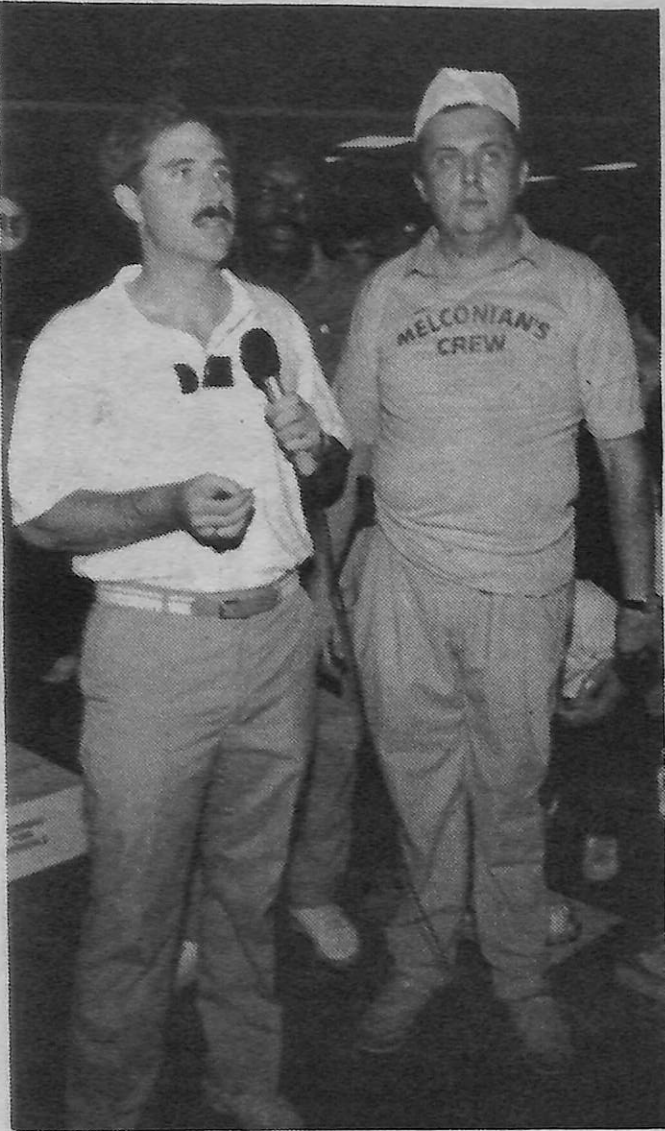
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Melconian's Crew Out In Force For Annual Picnic



STATE REP. MICHAEL P. WALSH (left) addresses huge gathering of supporters at the Annual Picnic for State Senator Linda J. Melconian at the Agawam Polish Club, Sunday, August 28th. At right is Melconian supporter/worker Dan Lacienski of Feeding Hills. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.



FEEDING HILLS RESIDENT Dan Lacienski, one of State Senator Linda J. Melconian's crew, helps run the raffle at the Senator's Annual Picnic last Sunday at the Polish Club. The grounds were jammed with well-wishers and supporters of the Senator's. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.



THIS IS STATE SENATOR LINDA MELCONIAN'S version of holding-up raffle prizes. Senator Melconian was elated over the huge turnout for her Annual Picnic at the Polish American Club last Sunday. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

OFFICE CLOSED: Due to the Labor Day Holiday Weekend, our office will be closed from Thursday, September 1st, at noontime, to Tuesday morning, September 6th, at 6:30 a.m.

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College Freshmen Now Leaving For Brand New World

by Cathy Landry
Advertiser News Staff

As many students are about to take-off for college for the first time, both the students and parents are about to embark on one of the major stages in the development of the parent-child relationship.

It's a great period of change for both child and parent, and there will be some separation anxieties that both will suffer, but it is this separation process that allows students to develop from adolescents to adults.

As freshmen begin their college careers away from home, they are faced with many decisions that start them on their way to independence.

For the first time in their lives, many students are on their own, to make their decisions about everything from coming home at night to going to classes. Mom is no longer there to tell a student to get up, and the student has to make a choice on what will become important in their lives.

Also during this time, freshmen are experiencing cultural, socio-economic, and ethnic differences as represented by other members of their dorm or their campus. They are learning to live in a community and to accept and to grow from the experience of meeting people with situations extremely different from their own.

Money management is another area in which students begin to develop autonomy. This is one of the hardest areas to achieve independence because many parents pay for or help to pay for schooling.

Students are all at once facing bank statements and book bills, and budgeting spending money and over-drawing the checkbook.

In addition, they must make decisions that involve structuring time, discovering university resources, alcohol, sex, and drugs.

The students are going to make mistakes along the way, but in the process, they are also establishing their own identity and learning who they are and what they want from life.

Through all this, parents may find that their children may develop values that differ from their own and they may make some decisions that the parent can't understand or agree with, but it is important for the parent to trust in their child's ability to deal with situations, support their children's decisions, and be willing to accept that they will make mistakes along the way.

The students should also realize that their parents are having difficulties with the separation as well and they should do their best to understand their parents' point of view. They also have to work out conflicts with their parents that might arise.

Academy Dancers Set To Begin New Year



UNDER THE CAREFUL GUIDANCE of directors Nancy DeCosmo Locke and Debbie Calabrese McManus, the Academy of Artistic Performance will be beginning classes on September 10th at its Community Shops studio. "Your Child Deserves The Best Choice" is the Academy's motto. SEE OUR DISPLAY ADVERTISEMENTS on Page 3 and 40.

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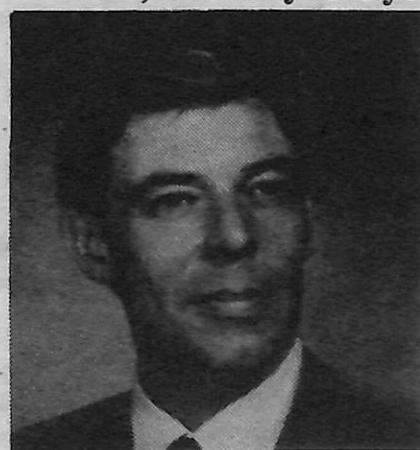
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The "Must Bring List" For College Students

by Cathy Landry
Advertiser News Staff

The time is upon us once again when area college students, myself included, are getting ready to go back to their respective colleges to begin the fall semester.

For those who are about to start college for the first time and are living away from home, there are several things that you have to look forward to.

But, before you can take on the all-nighters, midterms, and new friends and experiences, you first have to get ready to go to school and pack the car with the right things for the coming year at college.

To make the trek easier for both you and your parents, here's some things you may need for school but might not have thought of.

1. A multiple outlet system is really a necessity in the dorm room. Rooms, in general, have only two or three outlets and with a stereo, television, refrigerator, blowdryer, etc., etc., it becomes almost impossible to cope without one. Also, multiple outlet systems protect you from a potential fire hazard.

2. A small portable fan can provide an invaluable service not only in the late summer months, but also in the winter because in most complexes you can't control the heat in your room, and it is often too hot without a fan.

3. Small humidifiers are also used by a lot of college students. As I mentioned, the heating systems can be stifling and many students find humidifiers become a real necessity.

4. A sewing kit, with just the basics, like thread and

a few needles, is good to have even if you can't sew. (You can usually con some good-hearted soul into sewing it for you if you have the materials.)

5. Some students find that an iron is an essential for living at school. I, on the other hand, as well as thousands of other college students, believe ironing should be prohibited by law.

6. A laundry bag and/or basket is a must for college. Also, it's a good idea to bring detergent with you and learn how to do laundry before you get to school.

7. A rack to dry sweaters and other things that you can't put in the dryer is also very helpful on laundry days.

8. An umbrella and rain gear is incredibly important for those living at school, especially on large cam-

pus. Because most campuses entail a lot of walking, without an umbrella/raincoat, you're destined to suffer through a 90-minute class looking and feeling like a drowned rat.

9. Utensils, like silverware, at least one of each, a few Tupperware containers, a water jug, mugs, cups,


paper plates, and napkins are all necessities.

A lot of times you'll be eating in your room, whether it is hot soup (when you are sick at 3:00 a.m.) or pizza (seems almost daily), so these things will make life a lot easier.



10. A small hot pot is fantastic to have for making soup, hot chocolate, and finals' week coffee. However, if you drink a lot of coffee, a small coffee maker may be helpful.

11. A plastic bucket to carry your things to the shower is also an important thing to have.

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Kids' & Adults' Courses Offered At Museum

The Springfield Science Museum is offering 11 science courses for children and four adult courses this fall. Walk-in registration for members of Springfield Library and Museums Association will be held Saturday, September 3rd, from 12:00 noon to 5:00 p.m., at the Science Museum. Please bring your membership card.

Walk-in registration for non-members will be Sunday, September 4th, from 12:00 noon to 2:00 p.m.

Courses for Children

Inside Out (ages 4-6) Meets 10:00 to 11:30 a.m., October 1st, 8th, 15th, 22nd (\$17, members; \$20, nonmembers) What's underneath your skin: In this course children will learn about their insides as they listen to their heart beat, examine x-rays, investigate bones and muscles, and find what makes them tick.

Autumn Fun (ages 4-6) Meets 10:00 to 11:30 a.m., October 1st, 8th, 15th, 22nd (\$17 members; \$20, nonmembers) This fun-filled investigation of the autumn season will acquaint children with animals, plants and the changes they undergo. Participants will examine and compare trees, leaves and seeds; and learn the signs of the season.

Fur, Feathers & Scales (ages 4-6) Meets Tuesday and Thursday, 1:00 to 2:30 p.m., November 1st, 3rd, 8th, 10th (\$17, members; \$20, nonmembers) In this course children will discover the different types of animal coverings. Through a variety of hands-on activities, children will examine fur, feathers and scales; and the mammals, birds and reptiles that they belong to.

Dinosaurs Large & Small (ages 4-6) Meets 10:00 to 11:30 a.m., November 5th, 12th, 19th, 26th (\$17, members; \$20, nonmembers) The world of dinosaurs will be explored through a variety of activities including games, crafts, stories, and a trip to Dinosaur Hall.

All About the Native Americans (ages 4-6) Morning and afternoon sessions, November 5th, 12th, 19th, 26th (\$17, members; \$20, nonmembers) What were the Native Americans really like? How did they meet their needs of food, clothing and shelter? Children will discover the answers while they explore the Museum's Native American Hall, play games and construct crafts.

Digging into Dinosaurs (ages 7-9) Meets 10:00 to 11:30 a.m., October 1st, 8th, 15th, 22nd (\$17, members; \$20, nonmembers) Dinosaurs were in existence for over 140 million years. Participants will dig

into the past and survey the amazingly successful reign of the dinosaur. Through the use of fossil bones and footprints, students will see how paleontologists reconstruct the world of the dinosaur.

Whales' Tales (ages 6-8) Meets 10:00 to 11:30 a.m., November 5th, 12th, 19th, 26th (\$17, members; \$20, nonmembers) Explore the lives of whales from small dolphins to the largest animals that have ever lived! Students will become familiar with both the toothed and the baleen whales as they discover how whales have adapted to life in the sea.

Turtles, Tadpoles & Dragonflies! (ages 7-9) Meets 10:00 to 11:30 a.m., November 5th, 12th, 19th, 26th (\$17, members; \$20, nonmembers) Come explore the array of life that inhabits ponds and wetlands. Pond lilies, fish, turtles, birds, frogs, and insects all share a watery world of wonder. Participants will discover the life cycle of the amphibians and water bugs from egg to larvae to adults, and follow the food web from simple to complex.

Digging the Past (ages 10-13) Meets 10:00 to 11:30 a.m., October 1st, 8th, 15th, 22nd (\$17 members; \$20, nonmembers) Archeology in your own backyard! Investigate how people lived long ago and how archeologists reconstruct the past from collected archeological evidence. Students will learn of excavation techniques, collect clues, record observations, and compile data.

Getting in "Touch" with the Exploration Center (ages 5-10 accompanied by a parent) Meets 10:00 to 11:30 a.m., November 12th, 19th (\$20, members; \$24, nonmembers) The word is out about the Science Museum's exciting new Exploration Center! This course provides an opportunity for children and parents to learn together about this special participatory exhibit area. Participants will visit the Investigation Station, a unique resource room containing natural history collections, specimens, microscopes, activity boxes, field guides, and more.

Astronomy Adventures (ages 9-11) Meets 10:00 to 11:30 a.m., November 5th, 12th, 19th, 26th (\$17, members; \$20, nonmembers) In this course students will learn about our solar system; our nearest star, the sun; the inner and outer planets; comets and meteoroids. Theories on how the universe began and how our solar system was formed will also be explored. In the Museum's Planetarium, participants will become acquainted with the constellations and set off on an adventure through space.

Courses for Adults

Mammal Taxidermy Meets 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m., November 5th, 12th, 19th, 26th (\$60, members; \$70 nonmembers; includes \$15 materials fee) How are the animals in a museum diorama made to appear so lifelike? In this course participants will find out, as award-winning taxidermist Thor Holbek gives the inside story. Students will work on individual projects as they learn to prepare a mammal. Participants will receive instruction on skinning, sculpting, and mounting the animal.

Southern New England Trees and Shrubs Meets 9:00 a.m. to 12:30 p.m., September 17th, 24th (\$15, members; \$18, nonmembers) Become familiar with both native and introduced woody plants in this area by seeing them in their natural habitat. Participants will visit several ecological communities, including a flood plain, oak forest and old field. Use of field guides will be demonstrated and herbarium specimens will be used to illustrate some species.

Dipper Full of Stars Meets 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon, October 8th, 15th; Wednesday, 7:00 to 9:00 p.m., October 12th (\$15, members; \$18, nonmembers) This introduction to the beautiful autumn night sky will begin with a visit to the Seymour Planetarium for a special presentation on Mars, Mars, Saturn and many of the fall constellations will be visible during a suburban outdoor observing session with emphasis on equipment use and purchase. Mythology, folklore and astrology will be explored during the final class.

An Introduction to Create Nature Photography Meets 7:00 to 9:00 p.m., October 6th, 13th, 20th, plus two field sessions: Saturday, October 8th, 8:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon; October 15th, 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., (\$38, members; \$45, nonmembers) Explore the exquisite beauty of the natural world through your camera. Participants will be encouraged to discover their own style of taking photographs, with the emphasis on helping each individual transfer his or her own special vision to film. Carpooling to field sites is suggested. The second field trip will feature a multi-stop photographic excursion through the Berkshire Mountains. Each participant should own a 35mm camera with interchangeable lenses and have some familiarity with its use.

The Science Museum is located on the Quadrangle at the corner of State and Chestnut Streets in downtown Springfield. For information, please call 733-1194.

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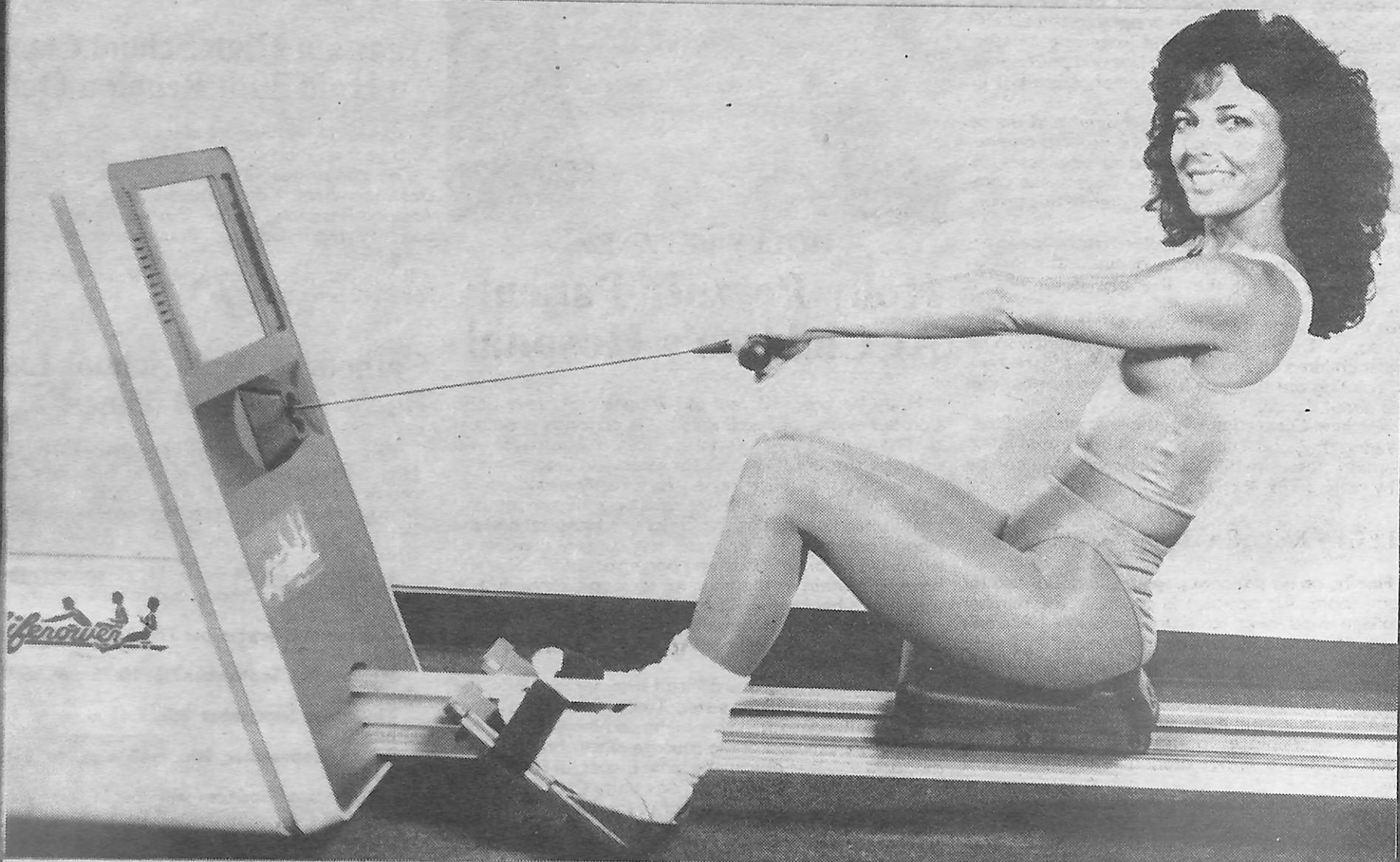
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Rainbow Connection New Dance Studio In Town

"Rainbows remind me of kids."

So when it was time to name her new dance studio, Eva Husson of Agawam chose "The Rainbow Connection," a name also readily identified by many youngsters as "Kermit's Song" from the acclaimed Muppet Movie.

And rainbows are evident through this studio - there's a little one stenciled around a wall-length, five-panel mirror; one painted on the opposite wall; another on the outdoor sign at the 551 Springfield Street location; and finally, even on the clock on the wall - a rainbow-shaped timepiece.

For Eva, her new studio is a long-time dream becoming true. "I always wanted to do this," she says, "and last spring I realized that if I don't do it now, I may never do it."

Eva brings 13 years of dance training and a "love of dance" to her young students. She will be accepting registrations on Tuesday, September 6th during her grand opening reception, which is open to the public.

She offers ballet, tap, jazz, and jazzercise classes, and accepts students according to age and prior dance experience, with small class sizes emphasized (10-12 students).

Eva says no registration fee is required and dance supplies (shoes, leotards, etc.) can be ordered on site.

Pre-school students will be offered mixed classes, including tap-ballet or ballet-jazz. She says these combinations will hold the interest of children in this group, who are usually easily distracted.

Eva says her studio will offer children a chance to experience more than one form of dance and begin to form ideas about what they like and don't like in rhythms and music.

"Teaching is very rewarding. I love children and I love to dance. Dance gives a child the chance to be with other children and to enjoy themselves," she continues, pointing out that she favors a non-competitive attitude about dance.

The Rainbow Connection will offer classroom Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday, with additional Saturday morning classes available. Phone inquiries can be made by calling 789-4080.

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12. Finally, an air popcorn popper is a good idea for the dorm room. Air popcorn is probably the number one college food next to pizza (although I haven't surveyed). Make sure to have a bowl to put it in as well.

Now that I've mentioned some things that you may have overlooked or forgotten, here's some things to keep in mind as you prepare to move in.

A lot of things are not necessary for a dorm room but make it a nicer place to live and study in, like carpeting, plants, a refrigerator, a television, and a phone.

It is important to discuss with your roommate (if you know who that person will be) who is going to bring what as soon as possible. It will help you decide what you want in your room and save you the hassle of having two stereos or two refrigerators or the like.

A dorm room is too small to have things that you don't need, or two of things that you and your roommate can share.

You should also be aware of what service your college or university offers as far as phone systems or refrigerator rental. Find out if it would be more economical to buy instead of rent. You should also inquire of your school if your room will be carpeted, and if desks, lamps, telephones, or trash cans come with the room. Each school is different so try to find out as much as you can before you move in.

That's about it. Work hard, have fun, and have a great first semester.



HOLLY PEVZNER

Holly Pevzner Patient At Children's Hospital

Holly Pevzner, 13 year old daughter of Steven and Carole Pevzner of Feeding Hills, is currently a patient at The Children's Hospital in Boston where she will undergo surgery this week for osteo-sarcoma.

Osteo-sarcoma is relatively rare. Holly was diagnosed in June and has been receiving treatment and chemotherapy since at The Children's Hospital and the Dana Farber Cancer Institute. Her surgery consists of extensive reconstruction and bone transplant. She will have to remain in the hospital for approximately two weeks, but her battle will continue for at least one year as she begins many grueling hours of rehabilitation, physical therapy, chemotherapy, and possibly more surgery.

It has been a long and difficult summer for Holly, her parents, and her older sister, Tracy. She has a great many challenges facing her in the coming year, but her doctors are amazed at the courage of this brave young girl; and she has quickly become a special favorite of the many nurses in the oncology unit Children's.

Holly is an 8th grade student at the Junior High and has participated in the Agawam Athletic Association, soccer and basketball leagues. She has been a dance participant at the Academy of Artistic Performance in Feeding Hills for 9 years. She is a member of the Academy's workshop dancers, taking ballet and jazz, and is also a junior assistant, helping teach the younger students.

If you'd like to lend your support and encouragement to Holly, you can send cards to:

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STCC Offering Course For Training Of Electricians

Springfield Technical Community College has recently received approval from the Board of State Examiners of Electricians to offer the 300-hour training program required of applicants for the Journeyman Electrician's licensing examination, according to STCC President Andrew M. Scibelli. The program will begin on September 7th, with selected courses being offered during evening hours.

Registration is now underway for the program, which will be administered by the STCC Division of Continuing Education. Courses are being offered his fall include Basic Electricity 1, Fundamentals of Motor Control, and Technical Mathematics. Students are advised to take the math placement test early to ensure the appropriate math background. Those who do not place at the necessary level will be required to take prerequisite courses.

Interested individuals may contact Mary Breeding or Lynn MacDonald at 781-1314, extension 3865 or 3824 for further information.

Agawam High School Class '58 To Hold 30th Reunion Oct. 22

Agawam High School class of 1958 will hold their 30th year reunion October 22nd.

The committee is unable to locate the following class members: Karen Stevens Betz, Robert Bonomi, Armand Pasquale, Walter Bush, Dwight Sangrey, Barbara Peyman Gaetke, Paul Russell, and Robert Langdon.

If you can help locate any of these classmates, call 568-8212 after 5:00 p.m.

Cathedral High School Lists Back To School Times

Beginning Wednesday, September 7th, Cathedral High School will be in session full days. Daily programs for the first week will include celebration of the liturgy, registration and assignment to homerooms and classes, book sales, and picture taking for the year-book.

Students in Grade 9, 10, 11, 12 should report to the Cathedral High School auditorium on the day and times specified.

Wednesday, September 7th, 7:45 a.m. to 1:52 p.m.,

Grade 12

Wednesday, September 7th, 10:15 a.m. to 1:52 p.m.,

Grade 11

Thursday, September 8th, 7:45 a.m. to 1:52 p.m.,

Grade 10

Friday, September 9th, 7:45 a.m. to 11:10 a.m.,

Grade 9

School bus service will begin on Wednesday, September 7th.

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Thanks, Perry Lane Park Camp Counselors



AS THE TOWN'S SUMMER DAY CAMP at Perry Lane Park came to an end, members of the counseling crew assembled for a group picture. Most of the regular counselors are college-bound while the aides will be returning to high school. Advertiser

News photo by Jack Devine.

St. John's Begins Fall Exercise Program

As St. John's exercise program begins its 11th year, we invite you to either return or join us this fall. Classes are held in St. John's gym, Main Street, Agawam, Tuesday and Thursday evenings, at 6:30 p.m., and Tuesday and Friday mornings, at 9:15 a.m.

At each class, we stretch, do centralized exercise, five to 10 minutes of low impact aerobics, and finish up with a cool-down period.

It's a great way to have fun while meeting new people. Hope to see you. For further information, call Grace, 786-6636.

Perry Lane Park Sets Pool's Open Hours

The Perry Lane Park Pool will remain open daily through Monday, September 6th (Labor Day), from 12:00 noon to 7:00 p.m., weather permitting.

Adult entry is \$1, and children, 50 cents. Lifeguards will be on duty at all times.

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Sportsman's Corner

by Bill Chiba
Outdoor Sports Writer

During the upcoming hunting season, steel shot will be required for all waterfowl hunting statewide in Connecticut.

A series of seminars will be conducted by the DEP to better acquaint waterfowlers with the use of steel shot and other topics pertaining to waterfowl. The seminar will be held **Saturday, September 10th**, at 9:00 a.m. to 2:30 p.m., at the Franklin Wildlife Management Area, Route 32, North Franklin, Connecticut.

The Waterfowl and Steel Shot Seminar is free and open to the public. Participants should plan on bringing a lunch. If you are interested in attending the seminar you can call 642-7239 or 584-9830 to register and obtain directions.

The NRA advises all parents that proper training concerning firearms is the best way to prevent accidents involving children.

Children are naturally curious, and a gun, like any other newly discovered object, can become the focus of their attention. Proper training on the safe handling of firearms will build a lifetime of responsible actions on the part of children and young adults.

All guns, when not being prepared for use or cleaning, should be safely stored, preferably in a locked enclosure away from young hands. When showing or discussing firearms with children, parents should stress that a gun is not a toy, and proper safe procedures must be followed at all times. Parents should be a positive role model for their children.



It is estimated that there are 180-200 million guns in the United States, owned by some 50-60 million citizens. It is likely that a child will come in contact with a firearm at one time or another during their early years of development. Therefore, gun safety should be a topic in every household, regardless of whether a firearm is actually stored on the premises.

The NRA also advises parents to enroll their children in a gun safety course.

Don Loncto, Agawam Police Department, is a certified NRA instructor. He can answer any questions you may have.

The Diamond International Corporation, a timber company, is selling 90,000 acres of land in Northern New Hampshire to Rancourt Associates of Nashua for \$19 million. The land parcel encompasses some of the best wilderness hunting and fishing in New Hampshire.

Governor John Sununu came up with a financing plan to purchase 45,000 acres from Rancourt for \$12.75 million. More than \$7.6 million of the purchase price will come from the state's Land Conservation Investment Program, a \$20 million project created by the Legislature in 1987 to protect land from development.



The federal government is expected to come up with the remaining \$5.1 million and will receive 4,400 acres of the parcel as an addition to the White Mountain National Forest.

The Nature Conservancy and the Society for Protection of New Hampshire Forests will put up funds to complete the deal while Congress and the President approve the \$5.1 million.

Sununu plans to reimburse the Land Conservation Investment Program with profits from timber and gravel sales from the 80 square-mile parcel.

Agawam Parks Dept. Has Nursery School Openings

The Agawam Parks/Recreation Department has a few openings in their nursery school (Perry Lane Nursery) for non-residents as well as residents beginning in September 1988.

Children who are three years-old by September 30th, 1988 are eligible to attend the Tuesday/Thursday session from 9:00 to 11:30 a.m. Tuition for the two day per week session is \$405, payable at \$45 per month. There are three openings still available.

Children who are four years-old by September 30th, 1988 may attend the Monday/Wednesday/Friday session from 12:30 to 3:00 p.m. There are four openings remaining. The morning session has been completely filled. Tuition for the three day per week session is \$540, payable at \$60 per month.

A nourishing snack will be provided daily to the nursery school children.

Registration is daily Monday through Friday, from 9:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., in the parks/recreation office (located in the rear of the Agawam High School, lower driveway. Follow the signs).

If you have any questions or would like to visit the nursery school, please call the parks/recreation office, 786-0400, extension 456.

Library And Museums Closed For Holiday

The Springfield Library and Museums Association will be closed Monday, September 5, for Labor Day. All four museums and the main library at the Quadrangle, corner of State and Chestnut streets, will be closed, as will all eight branch libraries located throughout the city.

The Springfield Library and Museums Association is a private, non-profit organization which includes the Springfield City Library system, the George Walter Vincent Smith Art Museum, the Connecticut Valley Historical Museum, the Museum of Fine Arts and the Springfield Science Museum.

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Racing At Riverside

NASCAR Points Standings At Riverside

NASCAR WINSTON MODIFIED (Unofficial As Of August 21st)

1. M. McLaughlin	2679
2. R. Ruggiero	2482
3. B. Ross	2462
4. R. Fuller	2300
5. J. Tomaino	2259
6. T. Baldwin	2254
7. T. Bolles	2220
8. J. Fuller	2190
9. C. Pasteryak	2070
10. G. Kent	2056
11. S. Park	1736
12. M. Ewainitsko	1702
13. K. Wooley	1675
14. D. Rzesendes	1662
15. W. Anderson	1577

NASCAR MODIFIEDS

1. R. Ruggiero	404
2. S. Greger	358
3. M. Stefanik	358
4. J. Marquis	338
5. J. Rosati	318
6. B. D'Alessandro	302
7. D. Avery	240
8. C. Pasteryak	220
9. J. Zavisza	198
10. B. Schofield	166
11. J. Rzesutek	140
12. L. Moore	120

13. M. Radewick
14. T. Bolles
15. J. Pearl

PRO STOCKS

1. T. Rosati
2. J. Marquis
3. J. Rosati
4. D. Carusso
5. E. Lavoie
6. P. Surprenant
7. L. Prior
8. B. Lauridson
9. C. Kopec
10. R. Turcotte
11. W. Carroll
12. B. Sokolowski
13. J. Lobo
14. B. Belz
15. B. Crunden

LATE MODEL STREETS

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Labor Day Sunday Big Spectacular At Riverside Speedway

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Riverside Park Speedway will host another spectacular Family Fun Night on Sunday, September 4th, "Labor Day Sunday," with an eight event format.

The Sunday Show will feature another 200-car four cylinder Enduro; a four-cylinder Demolition Derby; a 100-car Demolition Derby; the Late Model Streets and Pro Stocks; and the most unique event of them all, the world's first Endurance-style event for half-ton pick-up trucks and half-ton vans. This event is called "Heavy Trucking is a first," using old half-ton pick-ups and older vans.

The rules for the Heavy Trucking Event are really simple. First, you must pre-enter. The entry is \$8. The basic rules are those used in a Riverside Enduro. All trucks and vans must have a roll bar with four-point mounting. Only half-ton trucks are allowed. The pick-up must be complete with a bed fender and front and rear bumpers. Vans must be half-ton and be complete bumper-to-bumper.

The rest of the rules are standard Demo and Enduro rules: any American or foreign van or pick-up (no 4X4), and four-cylinder, six-cycle, or V-8 allowed.

To sign up, write Riverside Park Speedway, attention Scottie (truck and van Enduro). Enclose a check for \$8 made-out to Riverside Speedway. Include your complete name, mailing address, and phone, plus your choice of a truck number. Competitors will not receive a reply, unless you are not accepted.

Entries are also being accepted for the four-cylinder Enduro and Demo, plus the regular Demolition Derby. These events will be feature events only. Any competitor who enters will run the main events. No heat races or Figure 8 races in this one. To enter, use the same format as above—just list what event you are entering.

This show will also offer the Midgets, Streets, and the Pro Stocks, all family-priced at just \$8.99, with kids \$2.

Don't miss it Labor Day Sunday, September 4th, only at Riverside.

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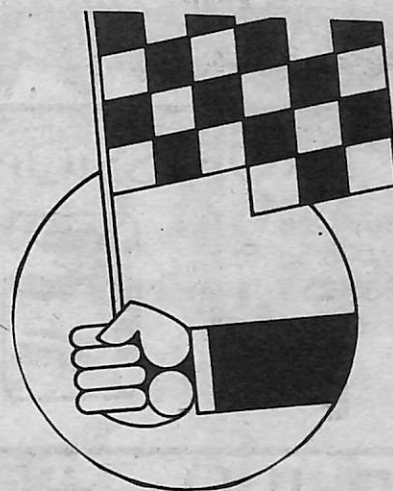
TOWN OF AGAWAM BOARD OF APPEALS

Notice is hereby given that the Board of Appeals will give a hearing at Agawam Public Library, 750 Cooper Street, Agawam, on Wednesday, September 14, 1988 at 7:30 P.M. o'clock, to all parties interested in the appeal of RESOURCE CONTROL INC. who is seeking a Special Permit in accordance with Section 20-51 (c) of the Zoning Ordinance to allow for the construction of a Sewage Sludge Compost Facility adjacent to the Wastewater Treatment Plant on the premises identified as ROUTE 5 (BOND'S ISLAND).

By order of the Board of Appeals,
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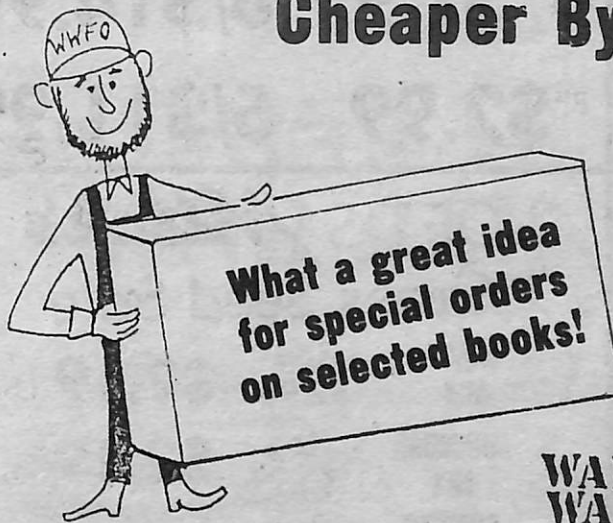
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Riverside Speedway Gears For Fall

Riverside Park Speedway is gearing-up for eight more auto racing events that start during the month of September and continue into October and right up until Thanksgiving.

That's eight events with different twists and formats. When most tracks are closing, Riverside Park Speedway is running perhaps its biggest and most interesting stadium events of the season. The old September Excitement Series is gone and the "New Excitement Series" begins with an all-new twist.

On **Saturday, September 3rd**, the final regular NASCAR Winston Racing Series of the 1988 season will be held. The NASCAR Modifieds will be on hand with a 50-lap feature, 30-lap Pro Stocks feature, and a 25-lap Street Stock feature. That's 16-plus events, and a NASCAR Triple starting at 6:30 p.m. Priced at \$7.99 for adults and \$2 for kids. This event will determine the 1988 NASCAR Winston Racing Series Champion.

On **Sunday, September 4th**, is the "Labor Day Sunday Holiday Special" with another "six-in-one" thrills format. For the race fan this show offers a 50-lap Pro Stock feature. Late Models will run a 20-lap feature, and the T.Q. Midgits will be back for a 25-lap feature.

Event Number 4 is the "World's first half-ton pick-up Endurance race."

Event 5 is another four-cylinder Endurance race and the sixth event is the old-fashioned Demo Derby.

And there will be a surprise, too. Admission is adults \$8.99 and kids just \$3. All heat races will be run in the afternoon, with the feature events only at 6:30 p.m. Don't miss it!

On **Saturday, September 10th and 17th**, it's four divi-

sions of real racing: NASCAR Modifieds for 50-laps, plus S.K. & Small Block-MADD Modified Bonus racing. The Pro Stocks from everywhere will be invited (your track rules) for a 30-lap feature. Late Model Streets are welcome from everywhere (your home track rules) for a 25-lap feature. Plus, for the first time, strictly stocks from Monadnock and Waterford, plus anywhere else, are invited to run a regular 20-lap event. This same format is for both Saturdays. It begins at 6:30 p.m. Admission is adults \$8.99 and kids \$3.

On **Saturday, September 24th**, it's Marathon Madness Endurance 100. Two hundred cars running the figure eight course in four heat races, plus a feature of 100 cars running 100 laps on the oval. This show contains violence and a great deal of destruction. Prices are \$8.99 for adults and \$3 for kids. Remember this is a Saturday event. Inspection is at 12:00 p.m. Racing starts at 6:30 p.m. Call and enter today—786-9300, attention Scottie.

Then, on **Saturday, October 1st**, it's another "Thrills Saturday Special," a late model feature event paying \$600 to win for an Open Competition Late Model Special event of 100 laps (your home track rules).

Riverside regulars in the top 20 are preferred starters. The night will also feature a Demoduro event. This is four qualifying heats on the oval, with 100 cars and two big Demolition Derby features. Inspection is at 12:00 noon, with the action starting at 6:30 p.m. Admission is adults \$8.99 and kids \$3.

On **Saturday, October 29th**, it's another Halloween Special to be announced, plus a Thanksgiving Enduro on Saturday, November 26th.

ALEXANDER'S Restaurant is a great place to relax and enjoy lunch, dinner, or late-night dessert and spirits. If you haven't been in, please stop by this weekend.

Parks Dept. Announces Many Programs

Please Note: No registration will be taken before September 19th, 1988!

All programs offered on "first come-first served" basis. No phone registrations.

Registration for both youth and adult programs will be held daily Monday through Friday, from 9:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., in the Agawam Recreation Office located at the Agawam High School, right driveway, rear entrance. Look for the signs. All fees are payable in advance of the program. Please make all checks payable to the Town of Agawam. There will be no refunds of the program fee unless the program is cancelled. All programs are subject to change due to gymnasium availability and to participation.

All programs will be cancelled on any day that school is closed due to inclement weather. Notification will be placed on Radio Station W.M.A.S., both A.M. & P.M. If you are still in doubt, call the Recreation Office, 786-0400, extension 456 or 467.

YOUTH RECREATIONAL PROGRAMS

YOUTH LEARN TO SWIM:

Your child must be able to change his/her own clothes. No females will be allowed in the male locker room, as no males will be allowed in the female locker room. Release forms must be signed by a parent/guardian before a child can take part.

Session: October 8th to December 10th (10 weeks)

Time: Saturdays, 9:00 to 9:50 a.m. (seven years and up); 10:00 to 10:50 a.m. (four, five, and six years); 11:00 to 11:50 a.m. (four, five, and six years)

Location: Agawam Junior High School Pool

Registration: Agawam Recreation Office

Program Fee: \$10 per child (no refunds)

Instructors: Agawam Recreation Swim Staff

Classes are limited to 25 per class. Enter the pool through the last door on the left hand side of the school.

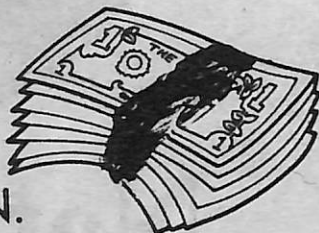
YOUTH GYMNASTICS PROGRAM:

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Time: Saturdays, 9:00 to 9:45 a.m. (beginners four and five years); 9:45 to 10:30 a.m. (beginners six and up); 10:30 to 11:15 a.m. (intermediate and advanced); 11:15 to 12:00 noon (beginners four and up)

Location: Agawam Junior High School Gym

Registration: Agawam Recreation Office

Program Fee: \$10 per child (no refunds)

Instructors: Agawam Recreation Department Gymnastics staff

All classes are limited to 30 students per class on a first-come, first-served basis. Release forms must be signed by a parent/guardian before a child may be able to participate. Sneakers must be worn. Enter the gym through the last door on the left side of the Junior High School.

AGAWAM SOCCER ASSOCIATION:

A total of 60 teams will kick into action beginning on Saturday, September 10th, and Sunday afternoon, September 11th, through Thanksgiving. Games will be played at Phelps and Clark School fields and Robinson Field (behind the State Pool). The Pioneer Valley teams will play at the Junior High and at the Middle School field. The Annual "Jamboree" has been scheduled for Sunday, October 16th. All games will be played at the Agawam High School fields.

BAY STATE HOCKEY ASSOCIATION:

The Agawam and West Springfield Hockey Associations have combined. Games will be played at the Springfield Olympia, Cyr Arena, Enfield Twin Rinks, and the Springfield Civic Center. Tryouts will begin in September and continue through the month. For more information, call Jane Eitel, 737-9028.

AGAWAM ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION NEWS:

Basketball sign-ups for the coming season will be held tentatively on Saturday, September 24th, at the Agawam High School cafeteria from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. Watch *The Agawam Advertiser News* for any further details!

PIRANHAS: (competitive swim team which competes with the best teams in the area) - Sign-ups tentatively,

Saturday, September 24th, at the Agawam High School from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. The Piranhas home meets are all at the Agawam Junior High pool.

For further information on all A.A.A. programs, contact Dan Lacienski, 786-3877, or Bob Hersey, 786-2979. For information on the Swim Team, call Irene Scalise, 786-5010.

YOUTH BATON INSTRUCTION:

Youth Baton classes will be held in early spring. Information will be sent home through the schools after the February vacation.

ADULT RECREATIONAL PROGRAMS**WOMEN'S LOW-KEY AEROBICS:**

This program is a low-key aerobics course designed to stretch and tone. If you wish to swim after the program, it is already included in the cost.

Session: October 10th to December 12th (10 weeks)

Time: Mondays, 7:30 to 9:30 p.m.

Location: Agawam Junior High School Gym "A"

Program Fee: \$20 per person (no refunds)

Registration: Agawam Recreation Office

Instructor: Willie Fortini

WOMEN'S VOLLEYBALL AND FREE SWIM:

Session: October 10th to December 12th (10 weeks)

Time: Mondays, 7:30 to 9:30 p.m.

Location: Agawam Junior High School Gym "B"

Registration: Agawam Recreation Office

Program Fee: \$20 per person (no refunds)

Supervisor: Willie Fortini

MEN'S RECREATIONAL VOLLEYBALL:

This program is informal; provides exercise, fun, and competition.

Session: October 11th to December 13th (10 weeks)

Time: Tuesdays, 7:30 to 9:30 p.m.

Location: Agawam Middle School Gym

Registration: Agawam Recreation Office

Program Fee: \$20 per person (no refunds)

Supervisor: Peter Parrotta

DANCE-AEROBICS:

If you are looking for some real heavy exercise and lots of fun while doing it, this program is for you. This

course is a blend of exercise and dance. It firms and tones the body, exercises the heart and lungs, promotes flexibility, develops rhythm and is pure and simple fun.

Session: October 11th/13th to November 29th/December 1st (eight weeks)

Time: Tuesdays and/or Thursdays, 7:30 to 8:30 p.m.

Location: Phelps School Gym

Registration: Agawam Recreation Office

Program Fee: \$35 per person (no refunds). If you wish to join for one night, the cost will be \$20 per person (no refunds).

Instructor: Sue Chianciola

MEN'S BASKETBALL LEAGUE (OVER 30):

This basketball league is for any male over 30 years-old. The "Over 30" league is organized for both total teams or individuals who would like to be assigned to a team. For further information, contact the League Commissioner, Peter Hanson, 786-2355. Games will be played each Sunday morning beginning in January. Although this league is recreational, you will find the exercise you need and the competition you are looking for.

SCUBA LESSONS:

Scuba diving is fun, easy, and exciting! Each dive is a relaxing adventure into the beautiful underwater world and you can learn to dive safely and enjoyably in as few as six lessons.

Session: October 4th, 6th, 11th, 13th, 18th, 20th.

Time: Tuesdays and Thursdays, 6:00 to 10:00 p.m.

Location: Agawam Junior High School pool

Registration: Agawam Recreation Office

Program Fee: \$99 per person and equipment rental (no refunds)

Instructor: Carl Grzebien and staff

Open water dives: October 29th and 30th, 1988. For further information, call Springfield Scuba Supply, 736-7411.

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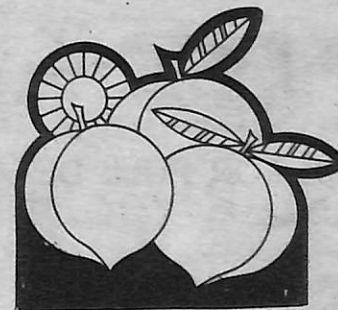
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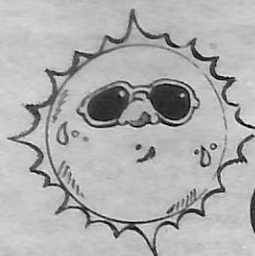
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PARKS - From Page 70**CIVIC ORGANIZATION GYM & SWIM:**

The Junior High School Gym and Pool will be available to civic groups and clubs of Agawam on Friday nights through reservation. There will be a \$35 charge per hour. This fee includes the lifeguard.

Session: October 1988 through May 1989

Time: Fridays, 8:00 to 10:00 p.m.

Location: Agawam Junior High School

Registration: Agawam Recreation Office

RECREATIONAL SWIM SCHEDULE:

The pool at the Agawam Junior High School will be open for public swim on Monday evenings. It is recommended that you leave no valuables in the locker room or the pool area. A lifeguard will be on duty. The pool is open to both youths and adults.

Session: October 10th to December 12th (10 weeks)

Time: Mondays, 7:30 to 9:30 p.m.

Location: Agawam Junior High School

Registration: Not required

Pool Fee: \$1 per person (pay the lifeguard on duty)

All pool rules are in effect: No cut-offs are allowed in the pool.

Insurance

The Town of Agawam does not carry insurance to cover hospitalization or medical costs of anyone injured while participating in or watching any of the Parks/Recreation Department Programs. Please note: You enter our programs at your own risk.

Over 25 Recreational Soccer Being Organized In Agawam

The Agawam Recreation Department will be trying to organize an "over 25" recreational soccer league for this coming season. Both men and women are encouraged to sign-up.

All interested persons must be 25 years-old by December 31st, 1988.

The Recreation Department will accept total teams or individuals who wish to sign-up and be placed on a team.

Rick Trudell will serve as league commissioner and may be contacted at 789-0963.

For further information or to register, please contact the Agawam Recreation Department, 789-1400, extension 456.

Science Museum Looking For Volunteers

Now that vacations are over and school is beginning again, the Science Museum would like to invite anyone who is interested in learning about volunteer opportunities to join the museum staff at a Volunteer Coffee Hour on Tuesday, September 13th, at 10:00 a.m. The Science Museum offers a variety of challenging volunteer experiences for people of all ages. You do not need to have a science background—we will train you.

If you enjoy children, the museum is always looking for enthusiastic people to lead guided tours for the many school groups which visit the museum each year. Tour guides, or docents, are trained during a 10-week course which meets one morning a week in the fall. Docents usually do one morning tour per week during the school year.

In addition to guided tours, the museum offers specialized programs for school groups on topics such as dinosaurs, reptiles, the human body, and others. We are recruiting people who would like to be trained to teach these special programs in one of our several museum classrooms.

Volunteers are also needed to assist in the Explora-

tion Center, our new "hands-on" exhibit area for children and families. Volunteers help explain exhibits and work one-on-one with visitors in the Investigation Station.

If you enjoy meeting the public, the Museum Shop may be the ideal place for you. Gift shop attendants sell fascinating science-related items and answer visitors' questions. Museum Shop is open six days a week, and volunteers are needed at a variety of times to fit almost anyone's schedule. Shop volunteers are usually scheduled in pairs, so bring a friend.

Other volunteer opportunities include anthropology assistants, natural history assistants, clerical work, exhibit technicians, and more. So please plan to join us for refreshments on September 13th, or call volunteer coordinator Marianne Miller at 733-1194 for more information.

The Science Museum is a unit of the Springfield Library and Museums Association, a private, non-profit organization. The museum is located on the Quadrangle at the corner of State and Chestnut Streets in downtown Springfield. Hours are Tuesday through Sunday from 12:00 noon to 5:00 p.m.

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Family Sunday Afternoons At Laughing Brook In Sept.

Massachusetts Audubon Society's Laughing Brook Education Center, Hampden, is continuing its series of "Sunday Afternoons On The Sanctuary" each Sunday in September at 2:00 p.m. These hour-long family programs provide an introduction to an area of natural history.

September 4th—"Animals Nobody Loves." If you dislike snakes, skunks, or snapping turtles, then this is the program for you. Learn to separate fact from fiction and develop a new appreciation for these often misunderstood animals. Fees for the program are \$1 for adults and 50 cents for children.

September 11th—"Monarch." Explore the fascinating life history of the monarch, best known of all butterflies, as they begin their long migration to the mountains of Mexico. Fees for the program are \$1 for adults and 50 cents for children.

September 18th—"Hawks." As thousands of hawks pass through our area during migration, learn where and when to look for them and take a close look at one of our resident birds of prey. Fees for the program are \$1 for adults and 50 cents for children.

September 25th—"Toadstools And Others." Search for the numerous puffballs, toadstools, and other fungi found at Laughing Brook this time of year. Fees for the program are \$1 for adults and 50 cents for children.

Laughing Brook is open from 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Admission to the sanctuary is \$3 for adults, \$1.50 for children under 16 and seniors, and free to Massachusetts Audubon members. For more information on these or other programs, call Laughing Brook, 566-8034.

Laughing Brook To Open To Public On Labor Day

Massachusetts Audubon Society's Laughing Brook Education Center, Hampden, will be open to the public on Labor Day, Monday, September 5th, from 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. A special holiday program for families, "Tools & Tasks," is offered at 2:00 p.m.

On this holiday set aside for special recognition of workers, discover what tools the animal world has inspired with their adaptations in "Tools & Tasks." The fees for the program are \$1 for adults and 50 cents for children.

Visitors can also observe native New England wildlife along the Crooked Little Path and Animal Loop, as well as explore scenic walking trails which wind through field, forest, and along the stream. The Audubon Shop, currently located in the historic Storyteller's House, is open from 12:30 to 4:00 p.m.

Admission is \$3 for adults, \$1.50 for seniors and children ages three to 16. Children under three are admitted free. For more information, call Laughing Brook, 566-8034.

Cub Scout Pack 75 Plans Sign-Up Date For Sept. 13th

Cub Scout Pack 75 sponsored by Sacred Heart Church, Feeding Hills, will have a sign-up night for Tiger Cubs and new Cub Scouts wishing to join their Pack, Tuesday, September 13th, at 7:00 p.m., at the Social Center on Springfield Street next to the church.

Tiger Cub is for any boy in first grade. Cub Scout-Wolf Rank is for any boy in second grade. Bear Rank is for the boys in third grade.

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Boy Scout Troop 78 To Hold Sign Ups And Paper Drive

Boy Scout Troop 78 will hold a sign-up night Tuesday, September 6 at the Polish American Club on Southwick Street, Feeding Hills.

The troop will hold a paper drive and a bottle and can drive on September 24 and 25 at the Polish American Club grounds. The funds from the drive will be used for camping trips for the boys and for much needed equipment.

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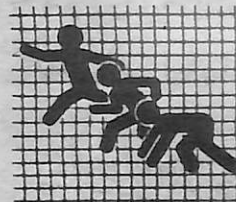
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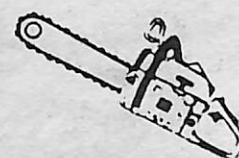
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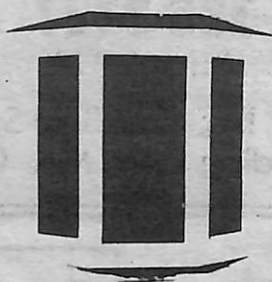
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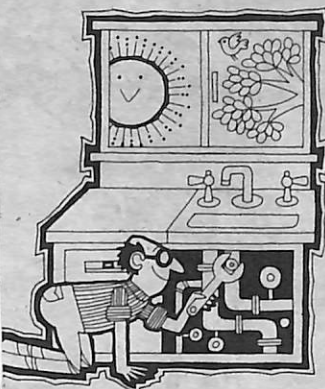
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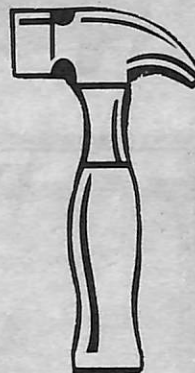
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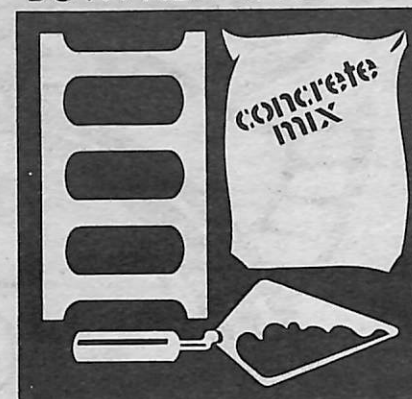


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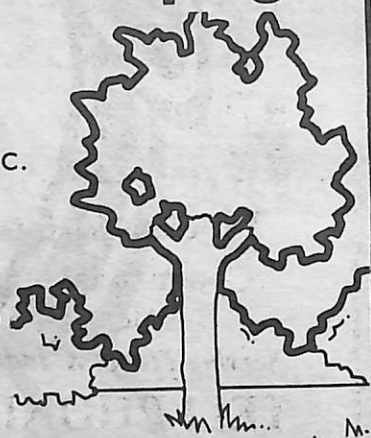
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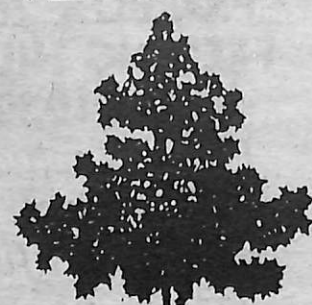
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